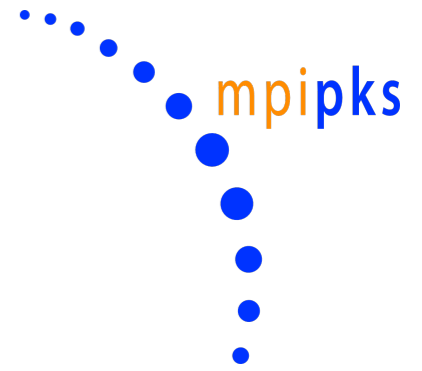
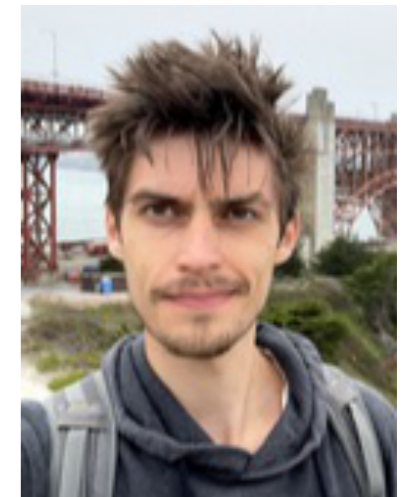
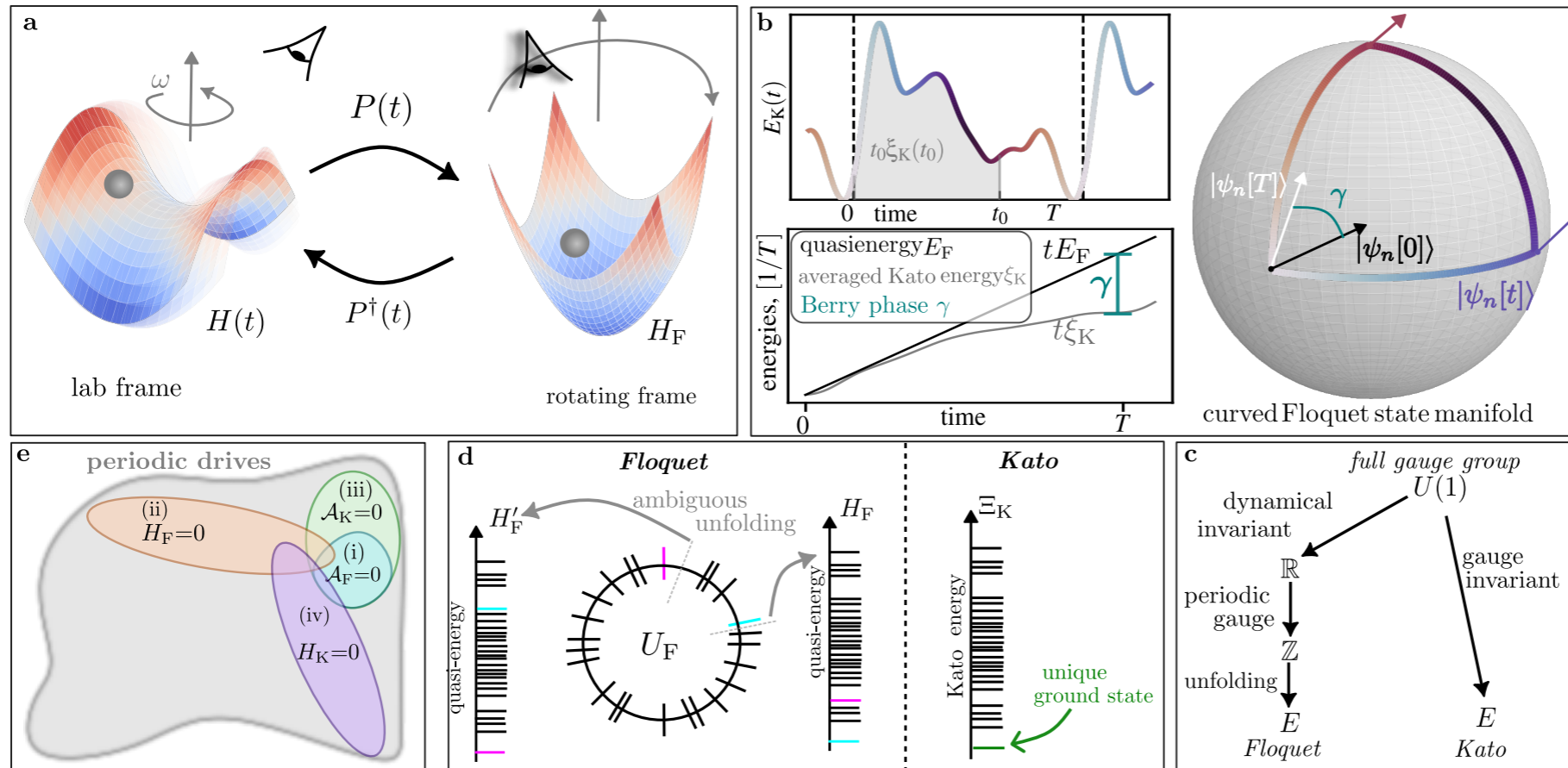




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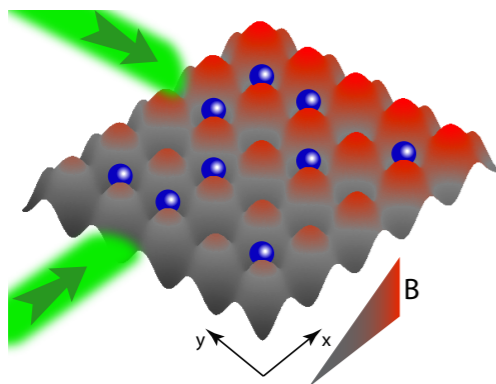
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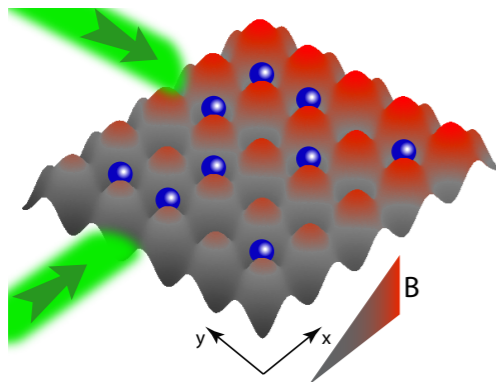


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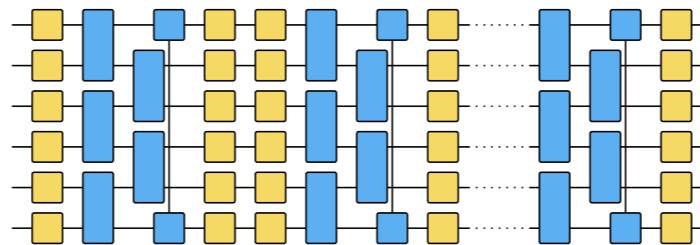
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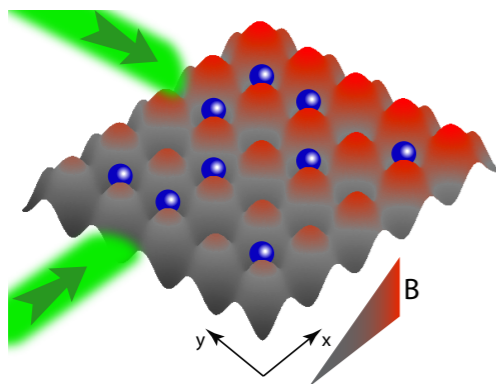
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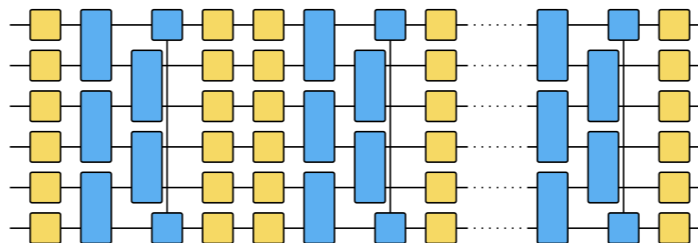
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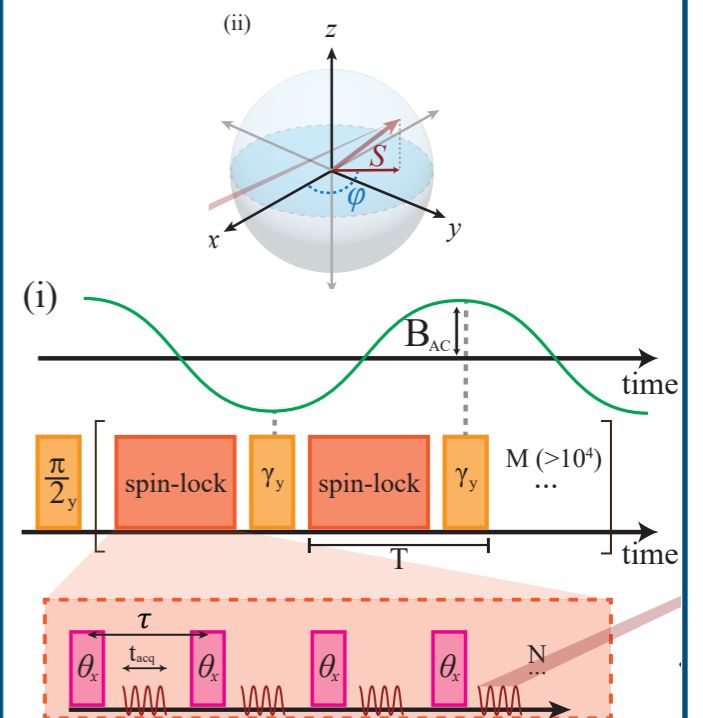


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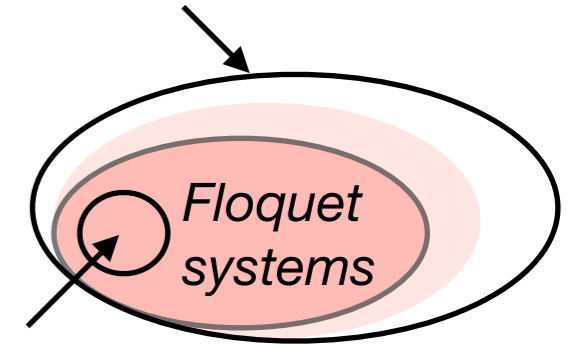
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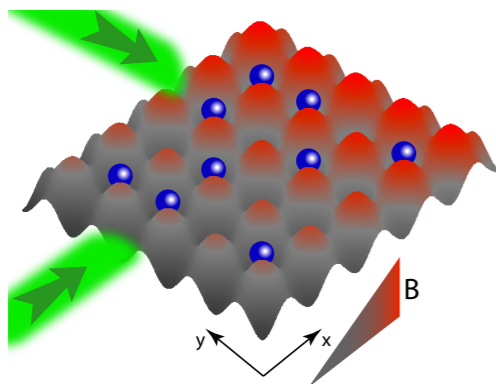


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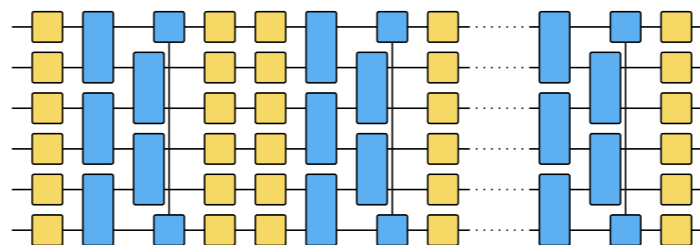
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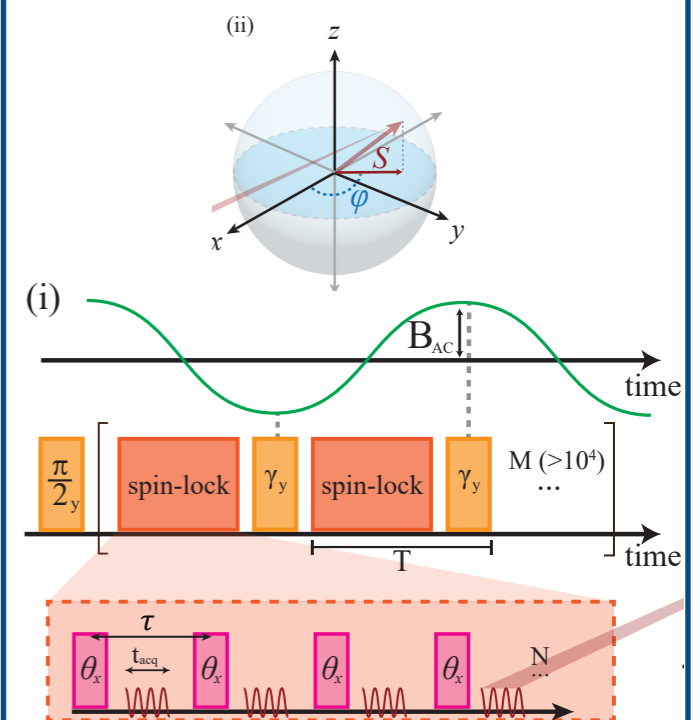


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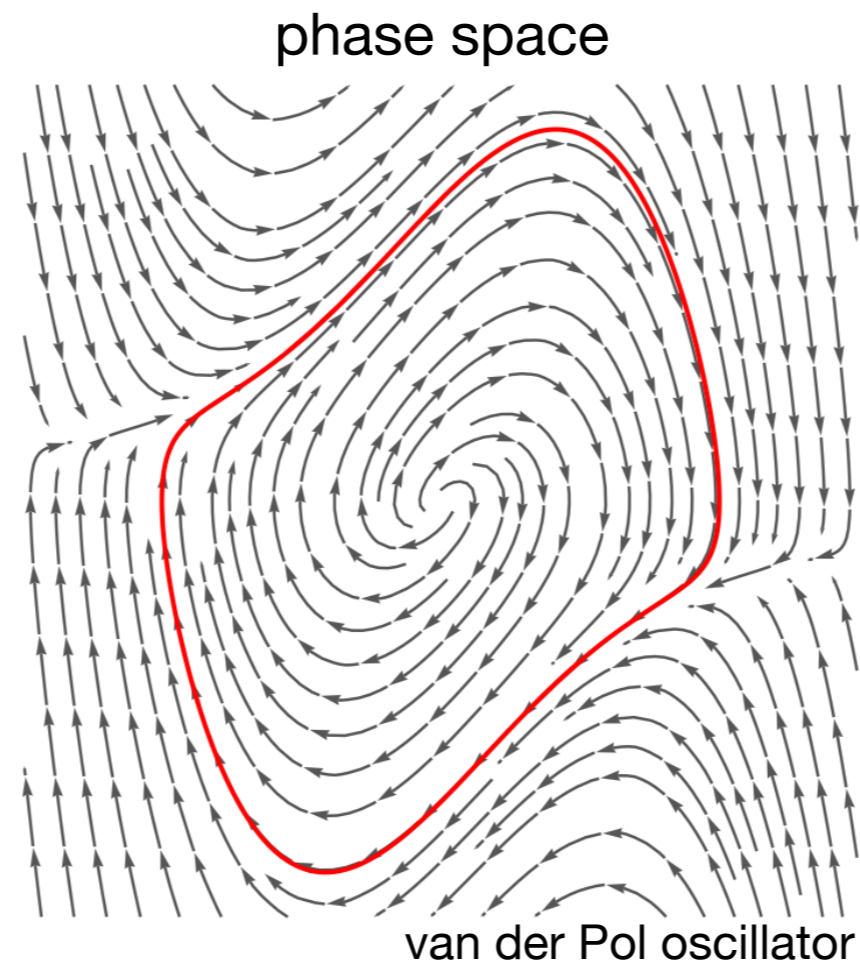
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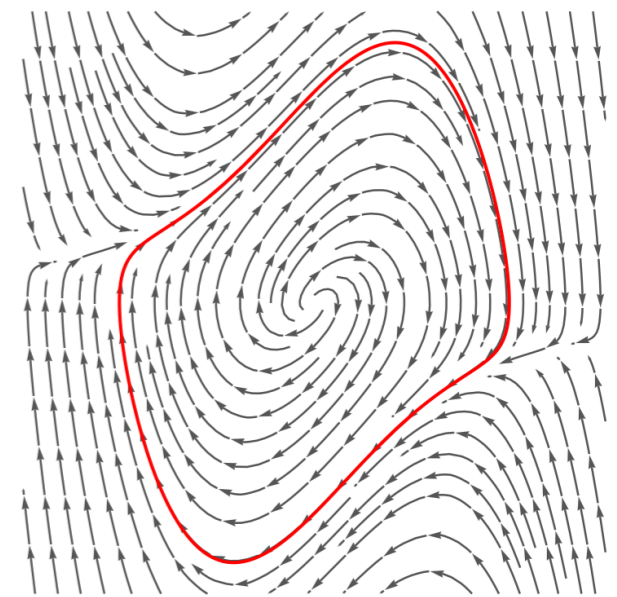
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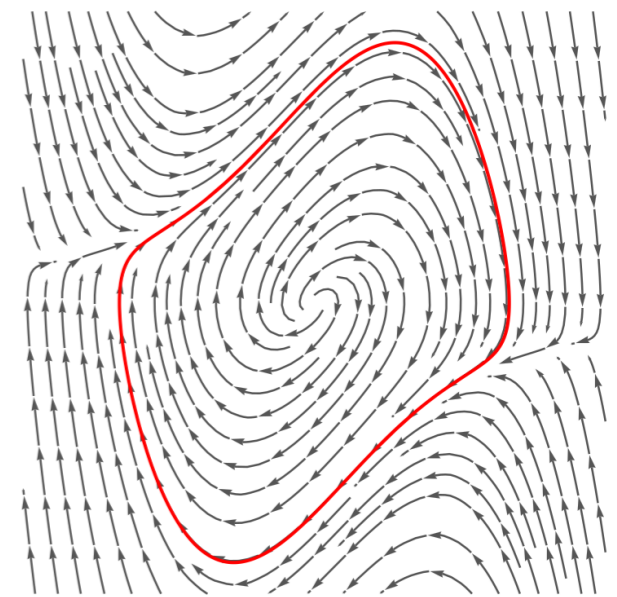
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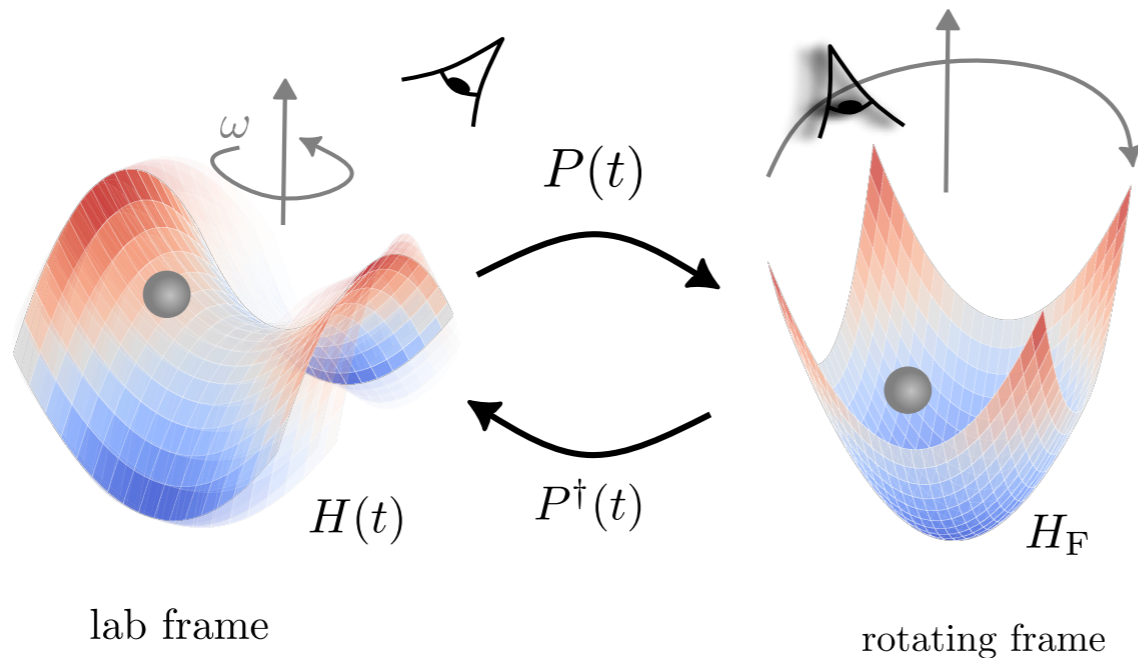
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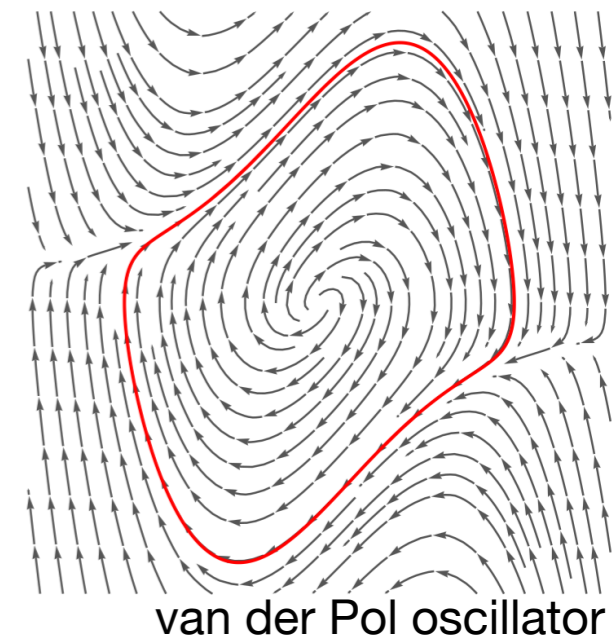
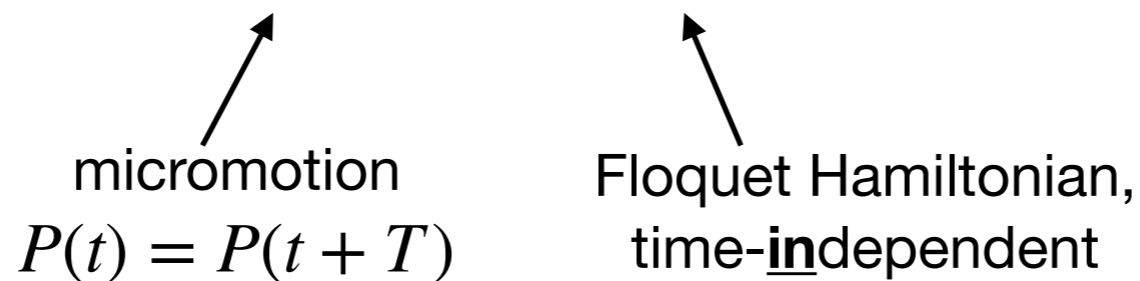
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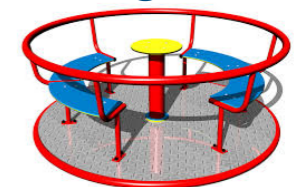


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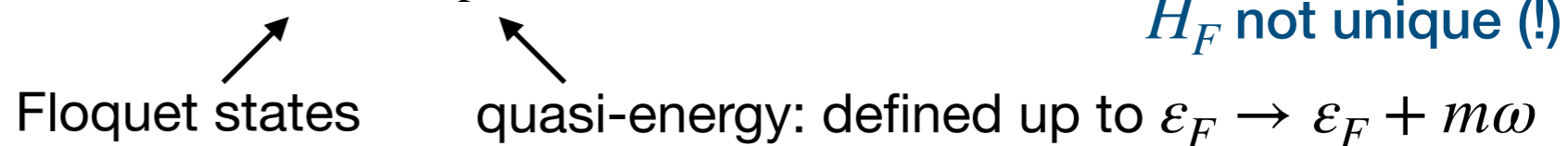
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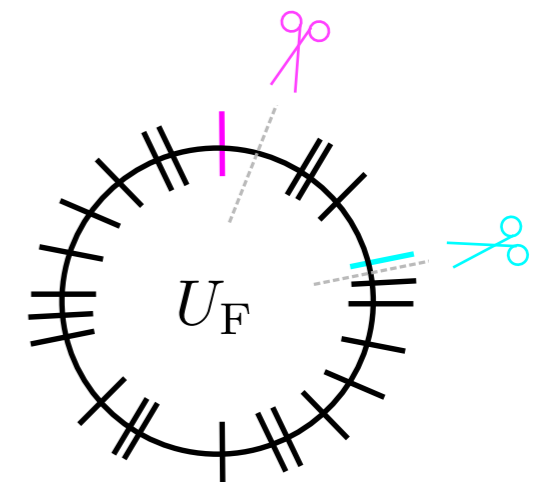
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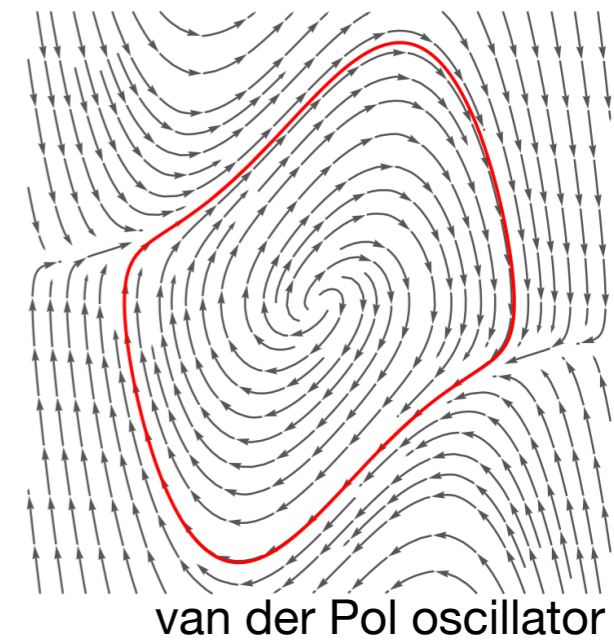


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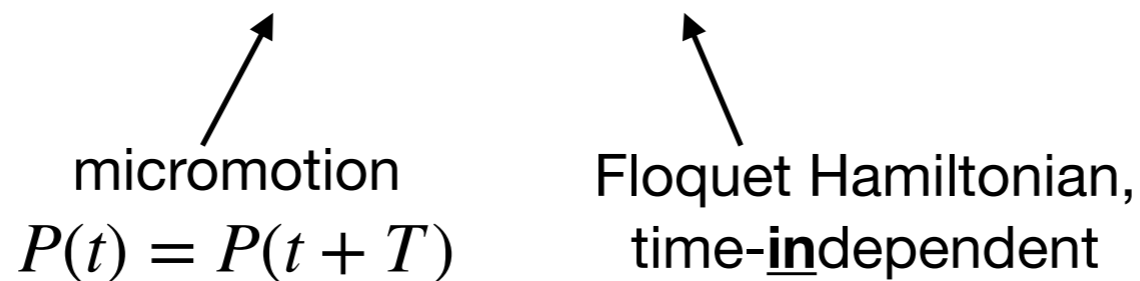


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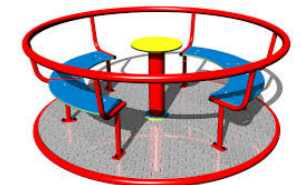


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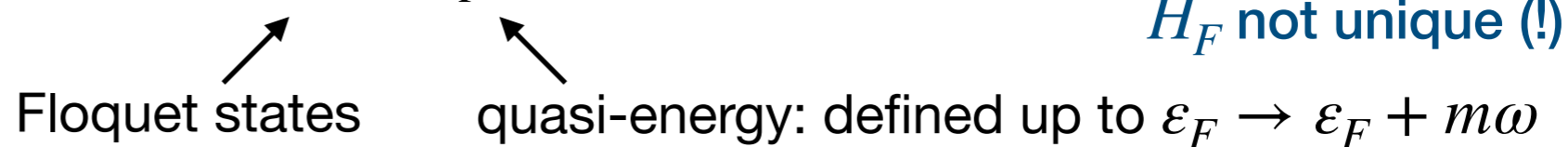
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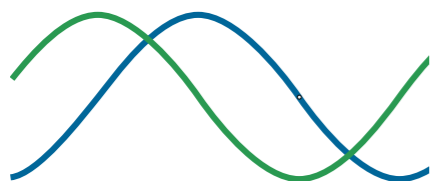
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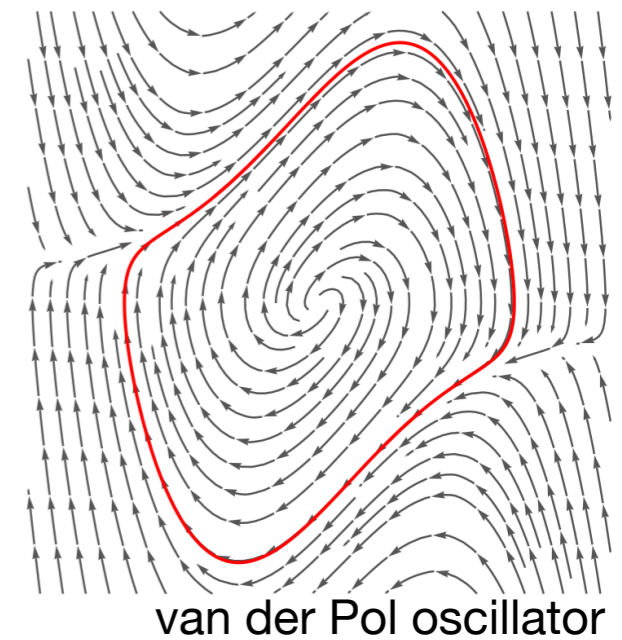
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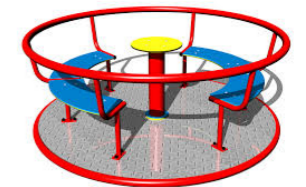
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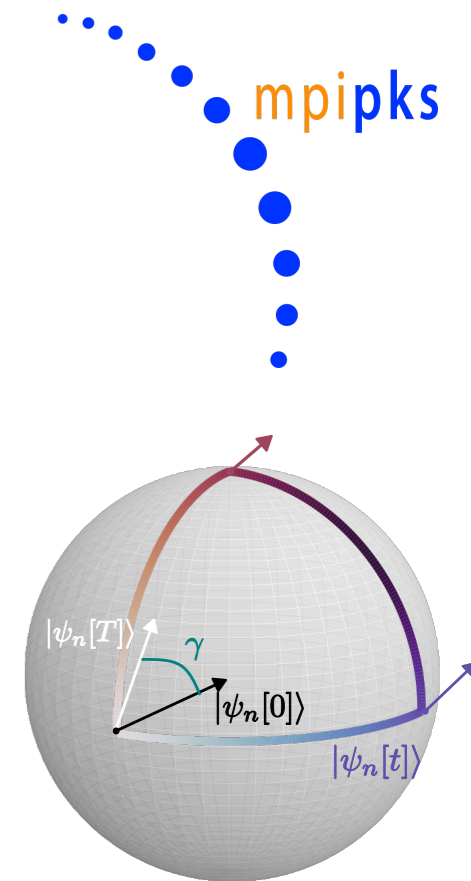
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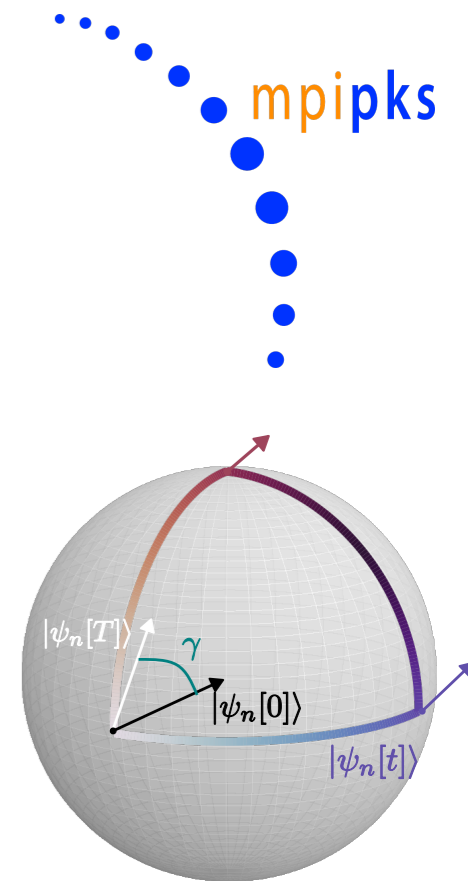
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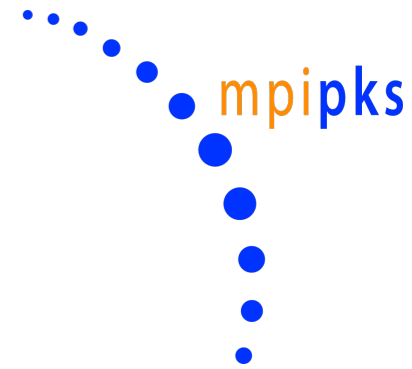
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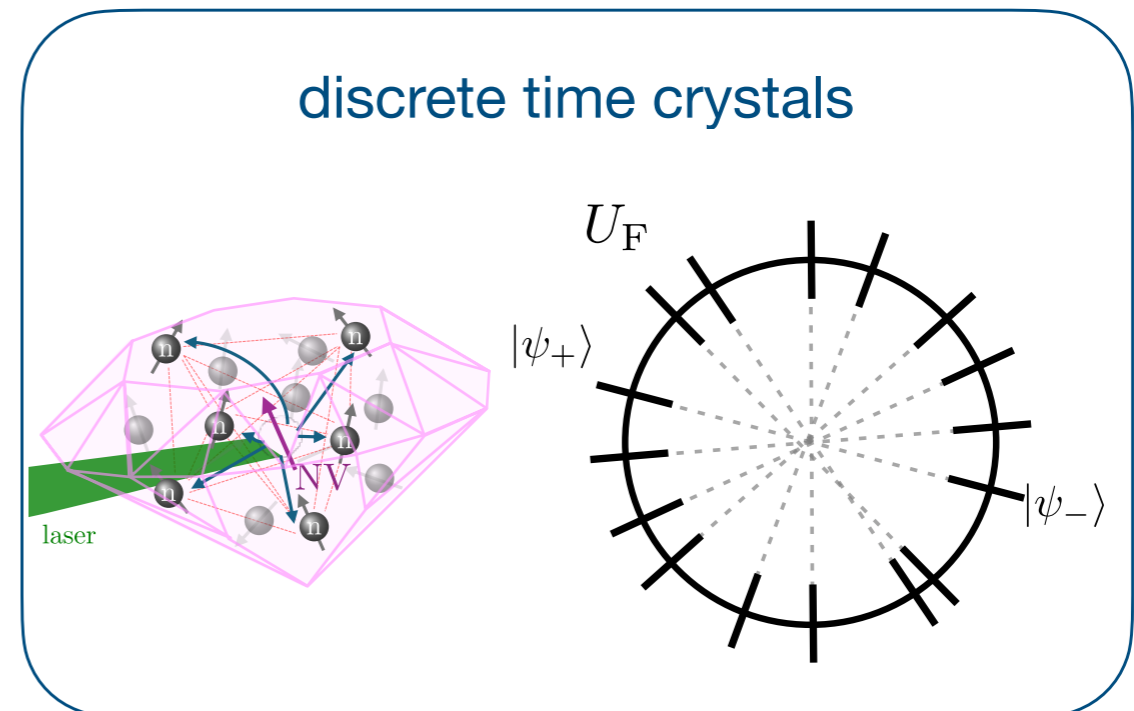
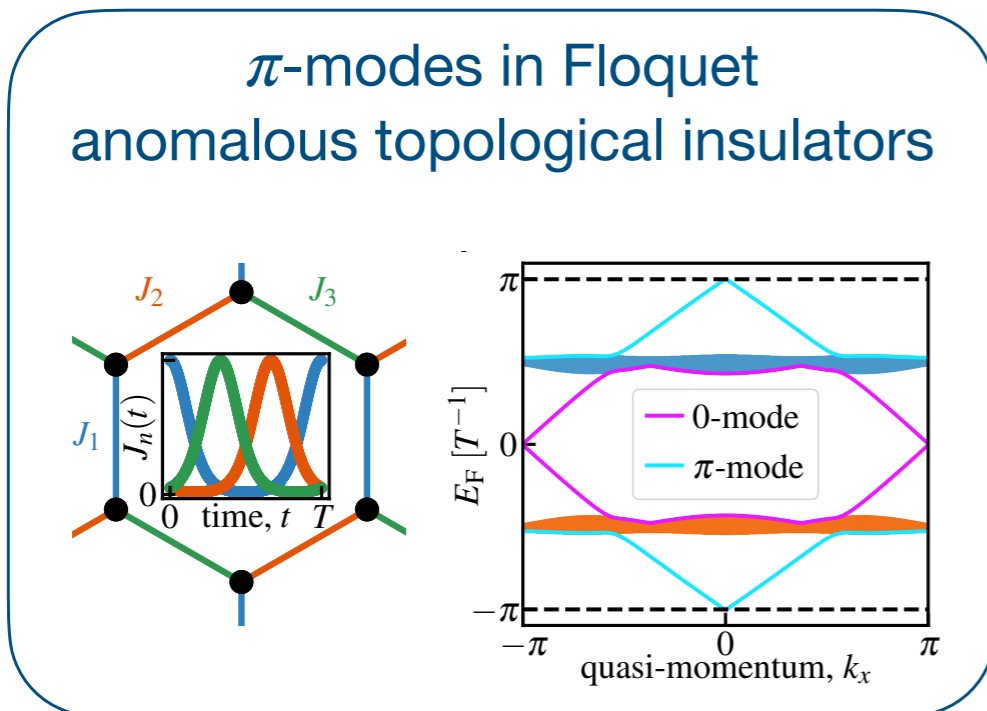
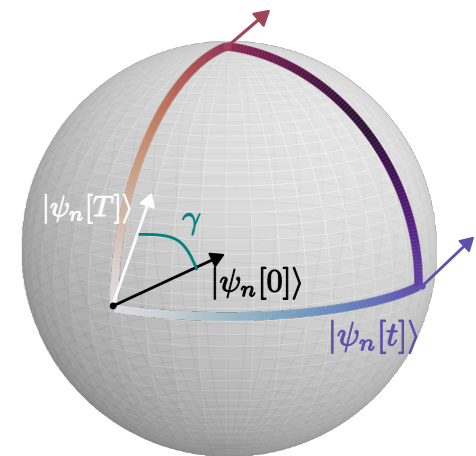




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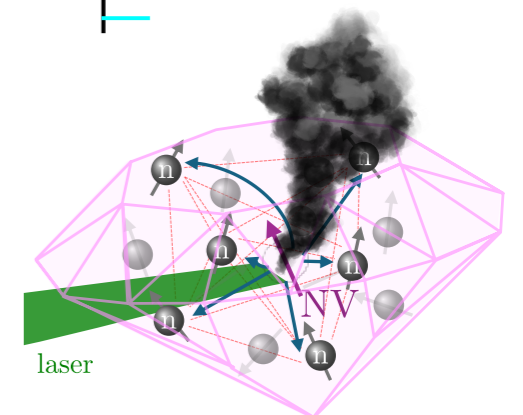
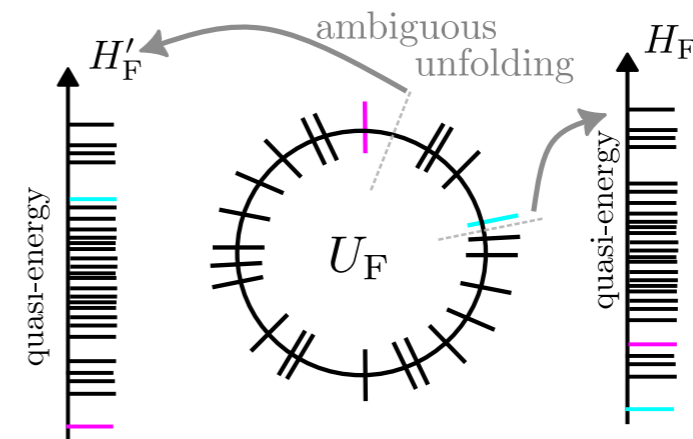
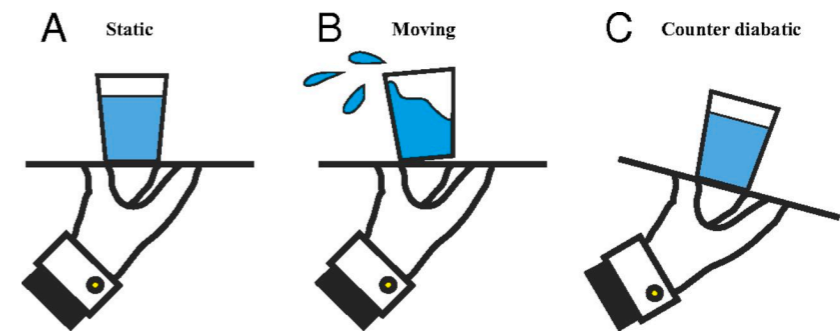
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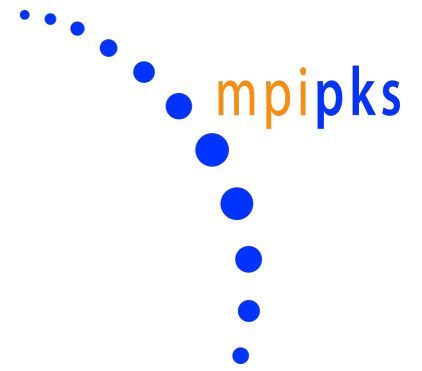
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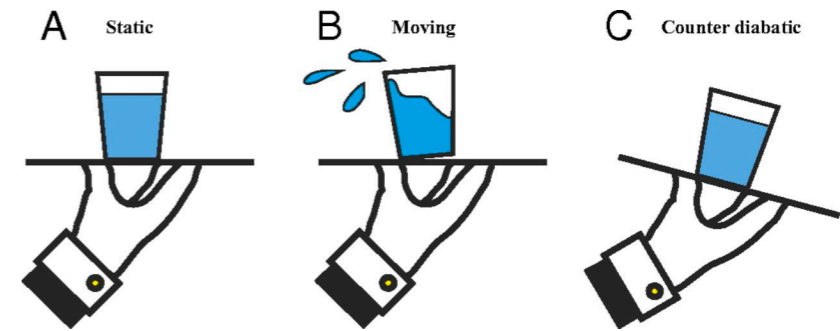


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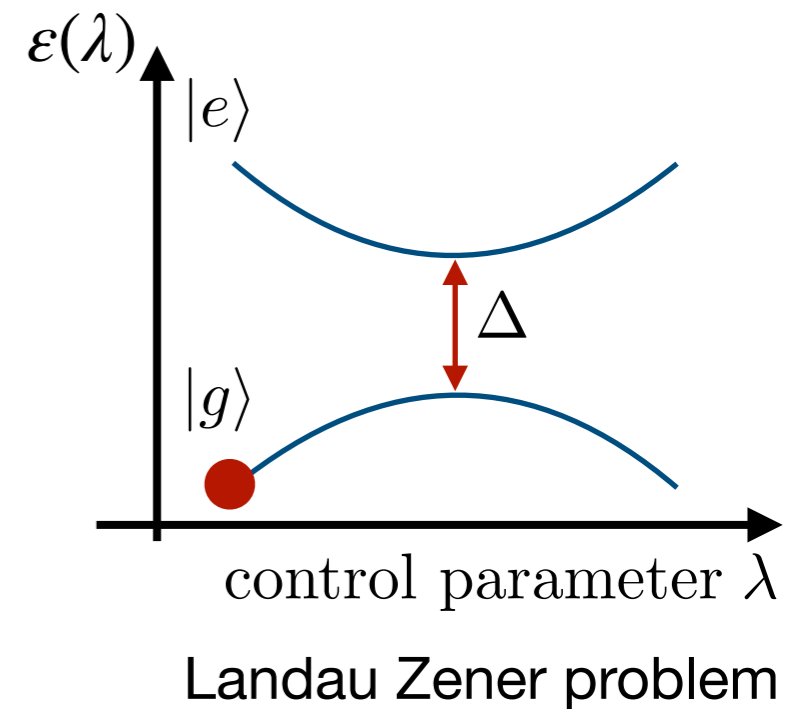
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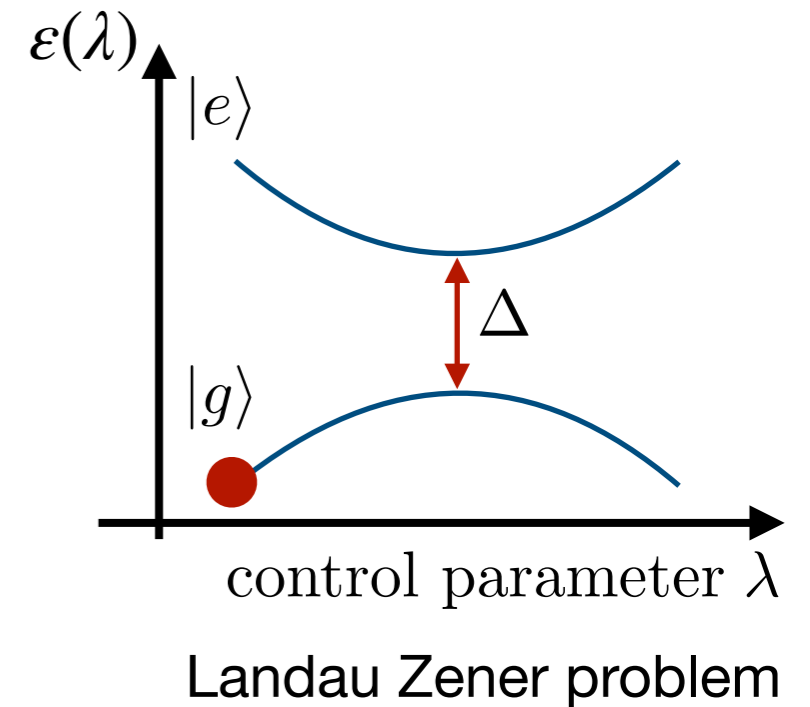




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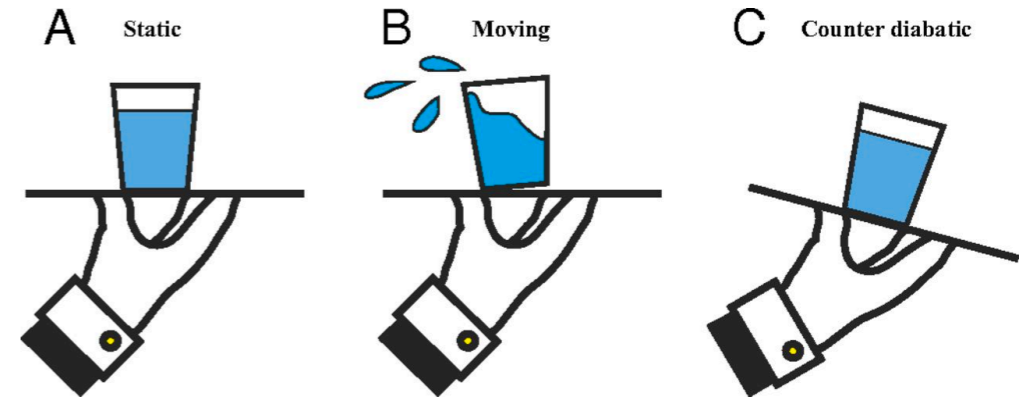
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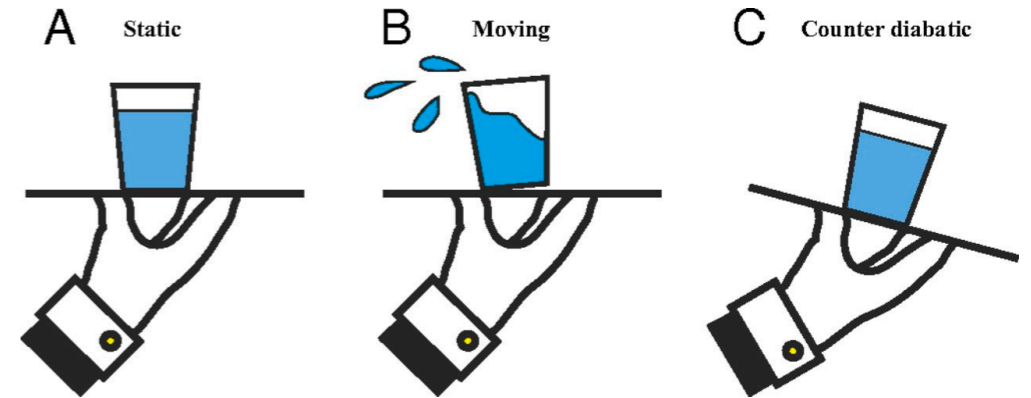
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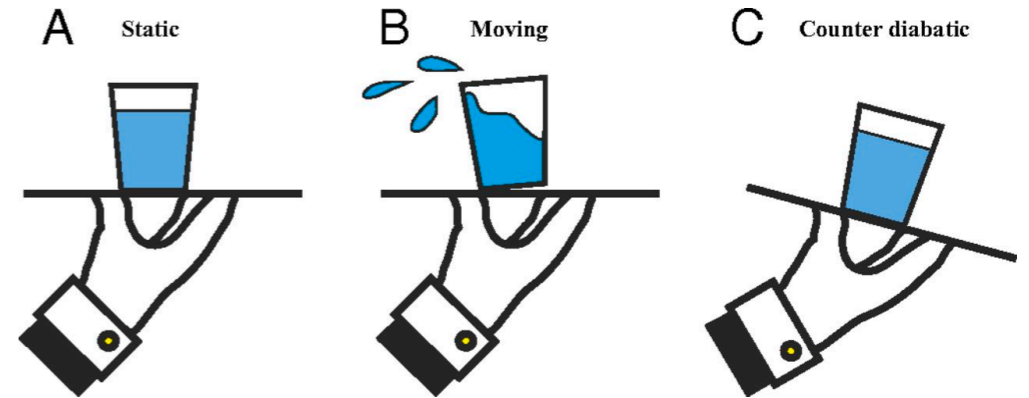


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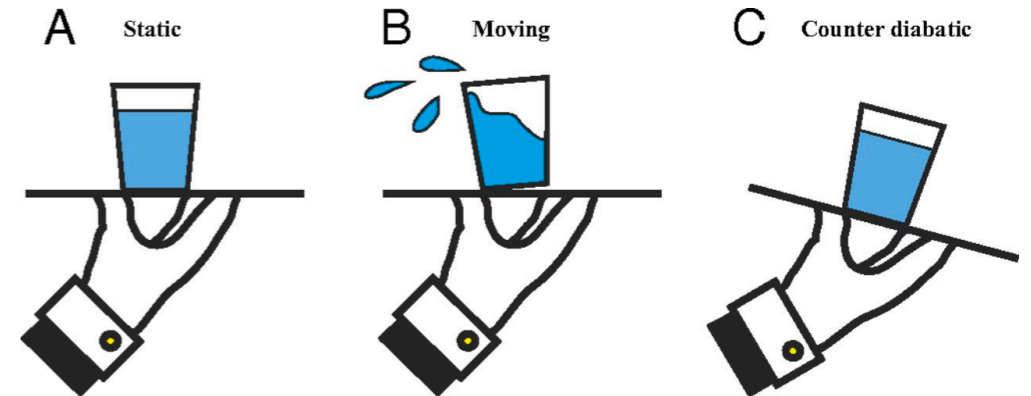
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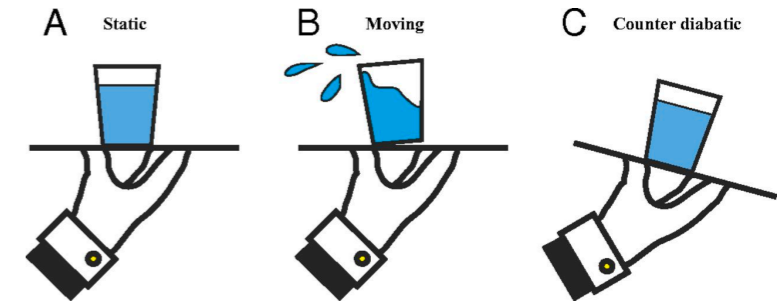
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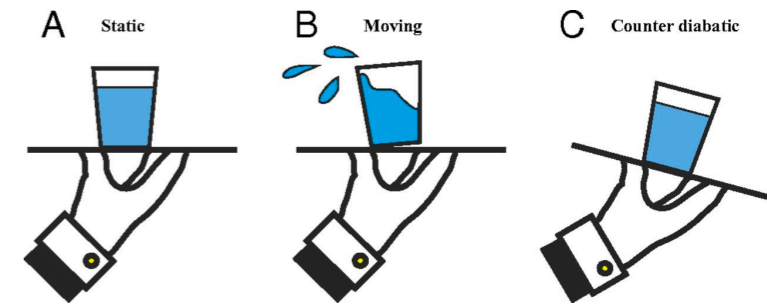
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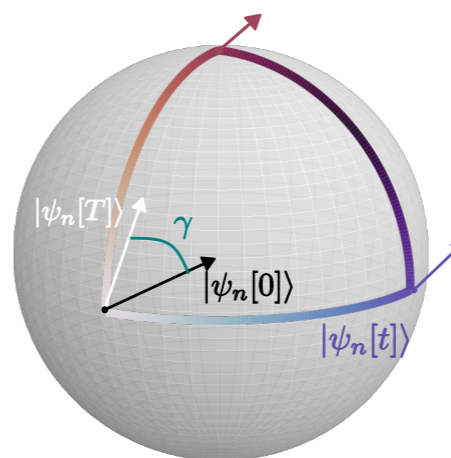
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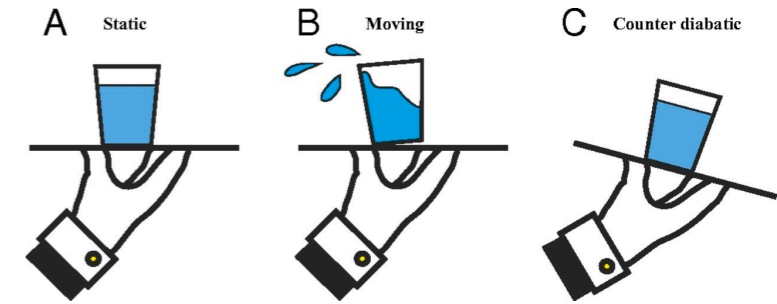
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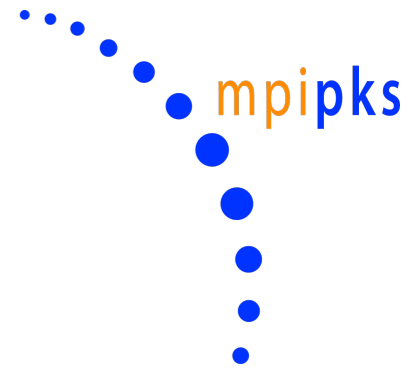
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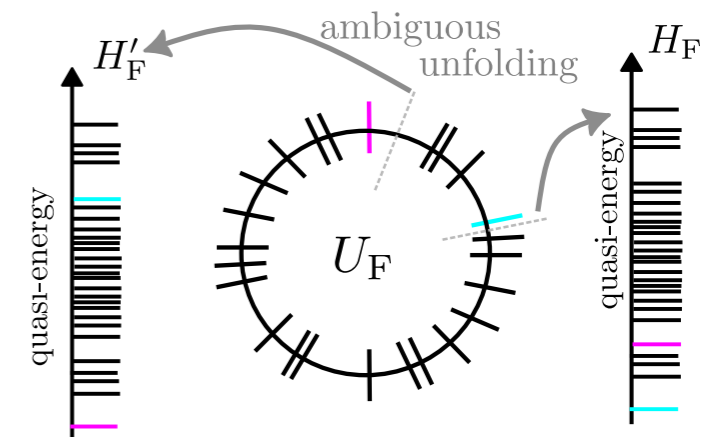


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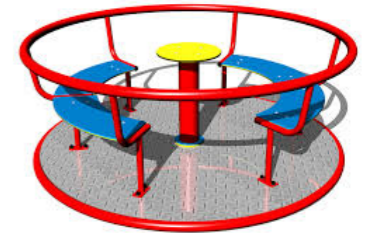
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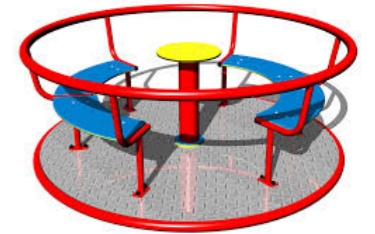


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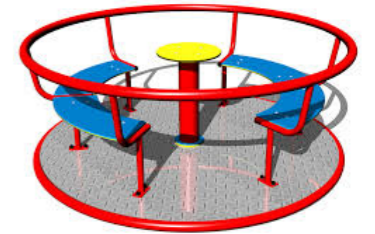
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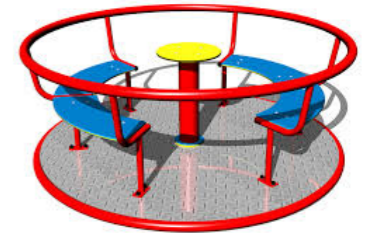
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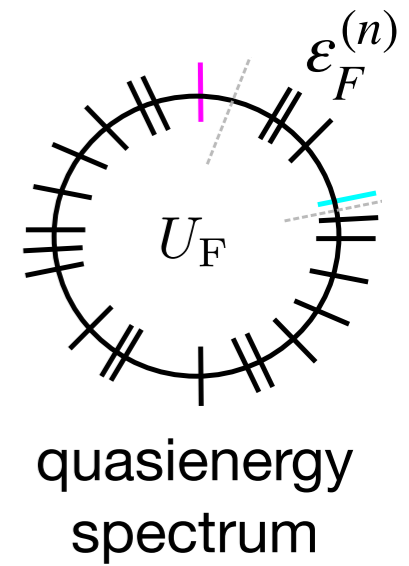


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for general proof: **PM Schindler and MB, arXiv: 2410.07029**

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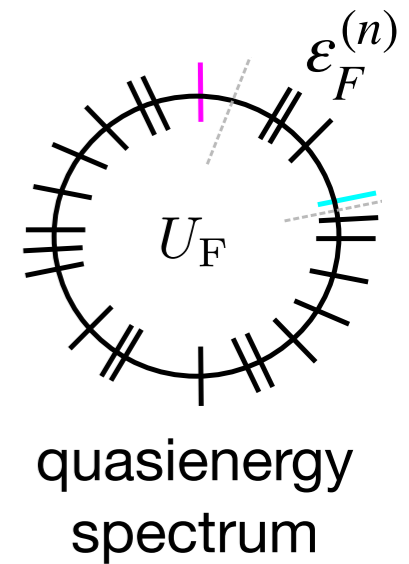


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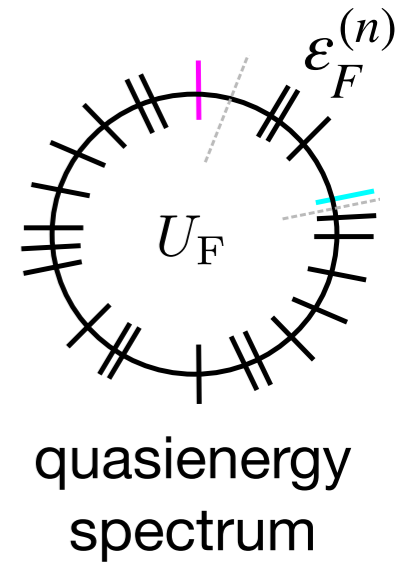
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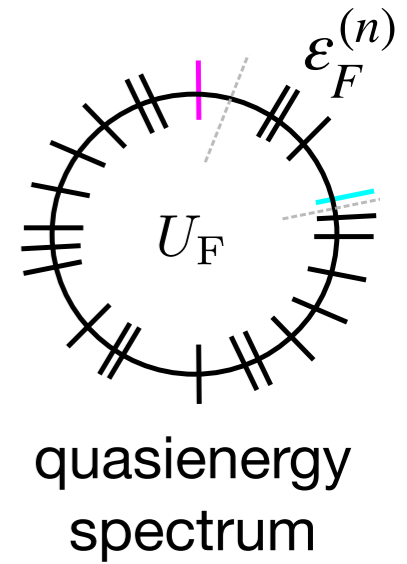
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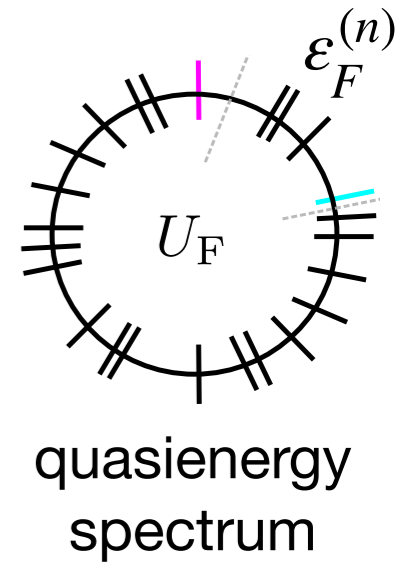
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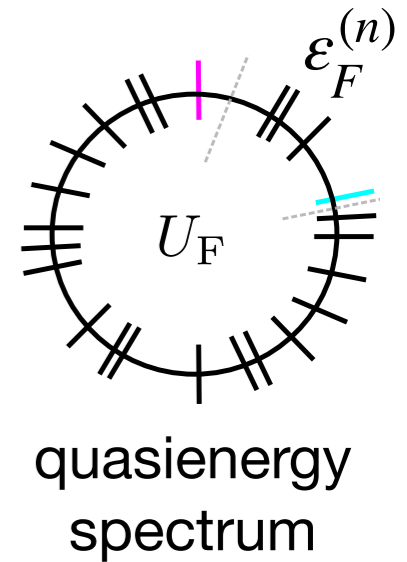
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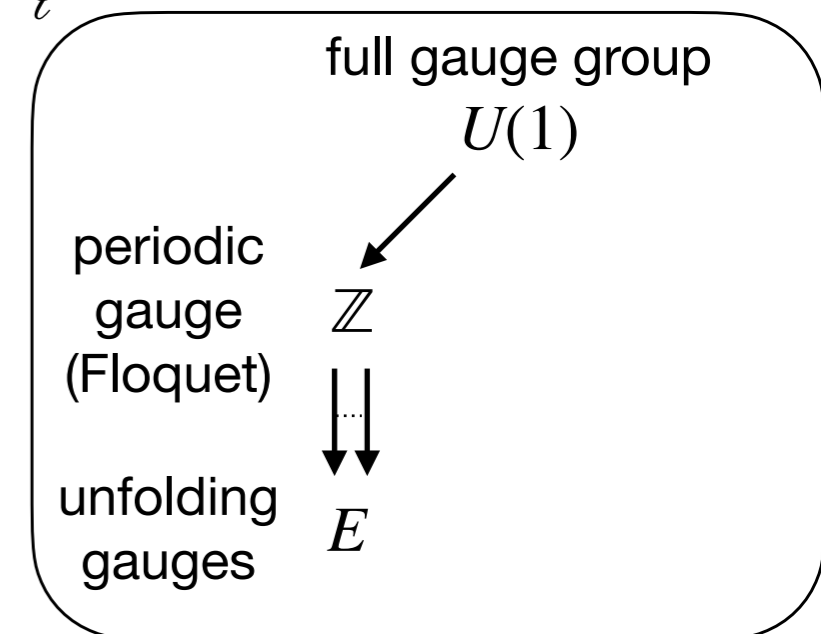
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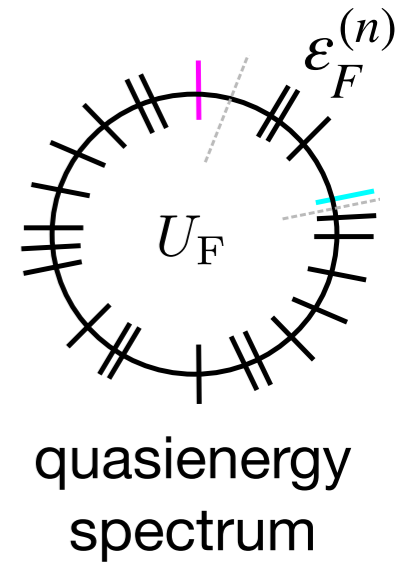
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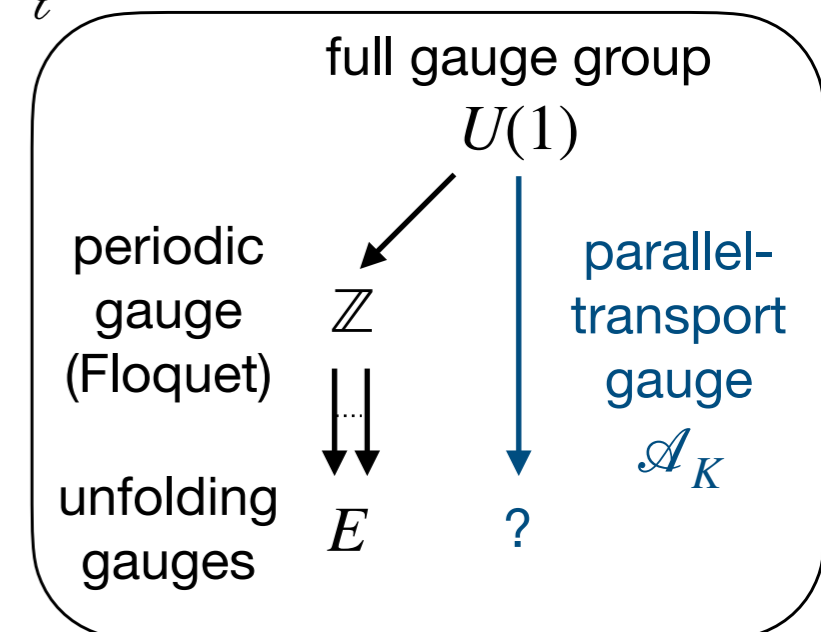
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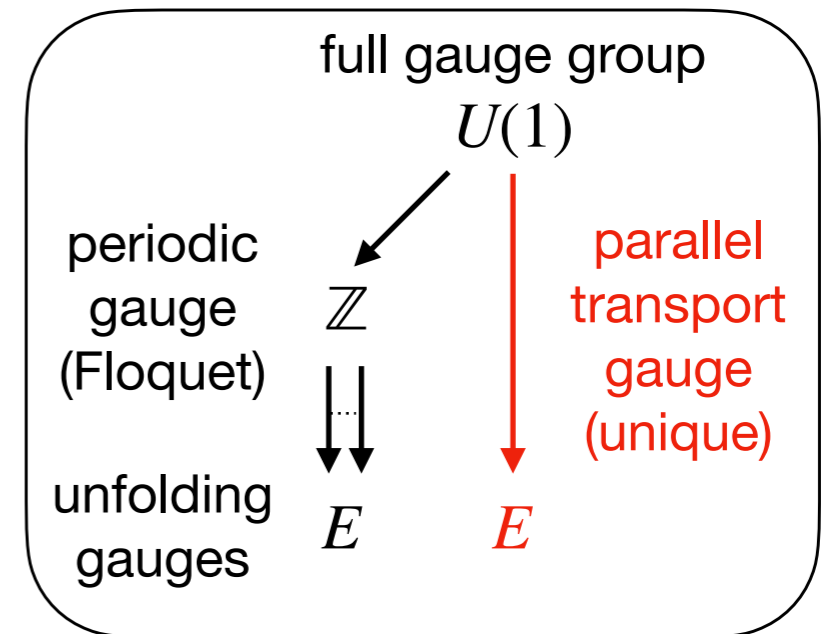
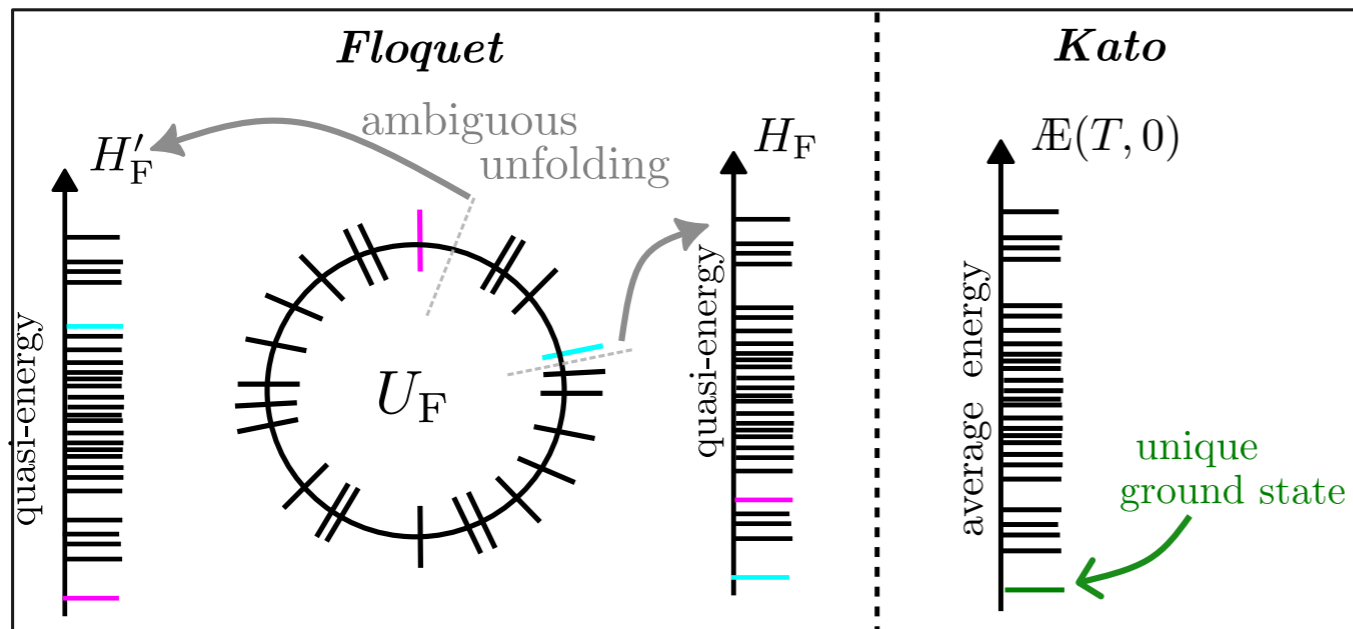
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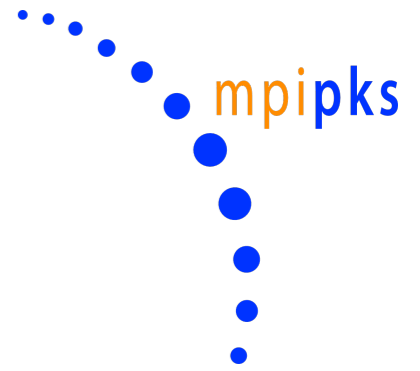
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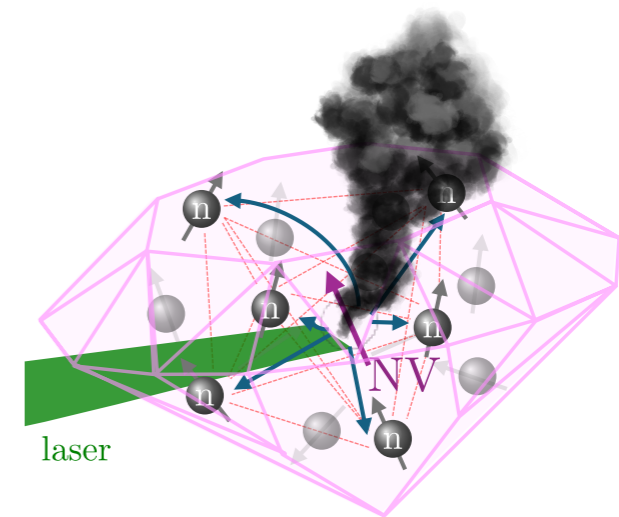


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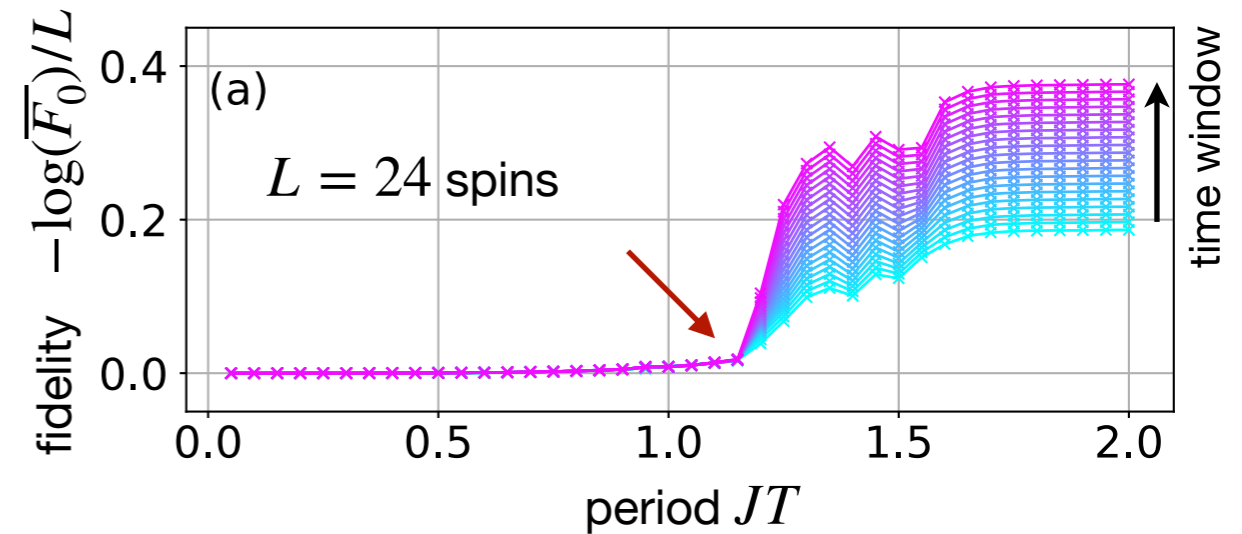


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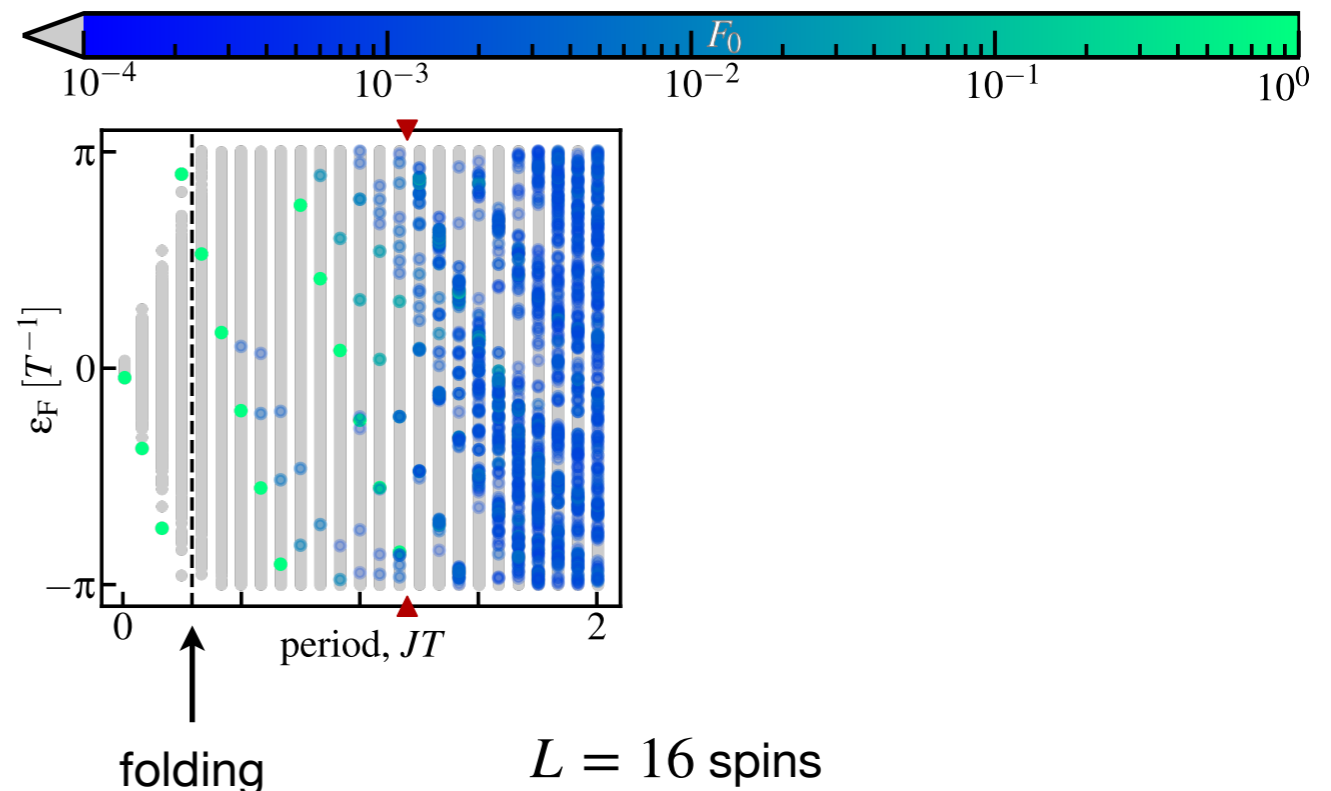
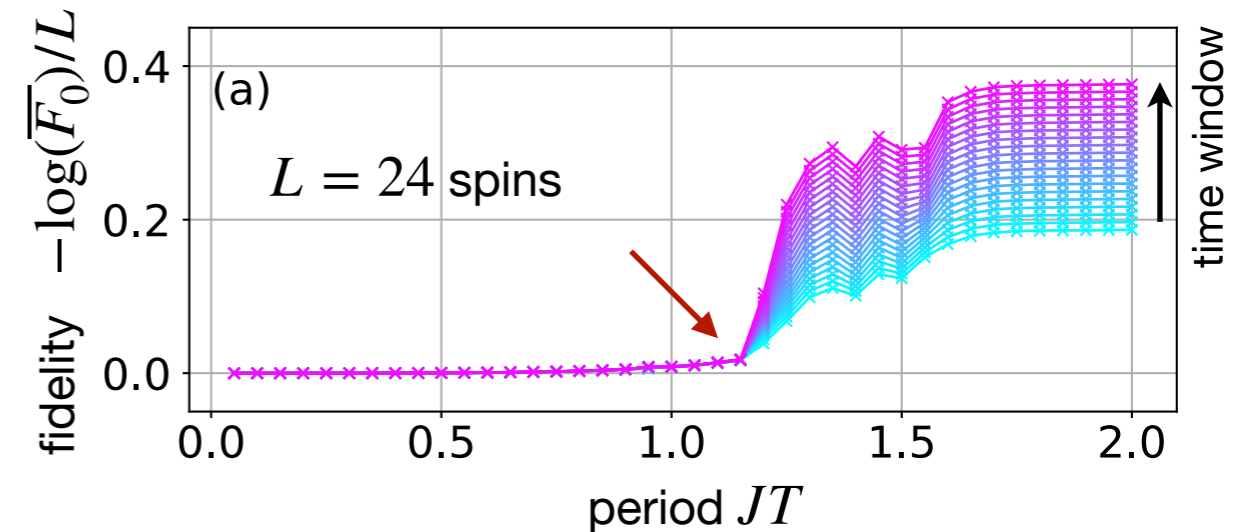
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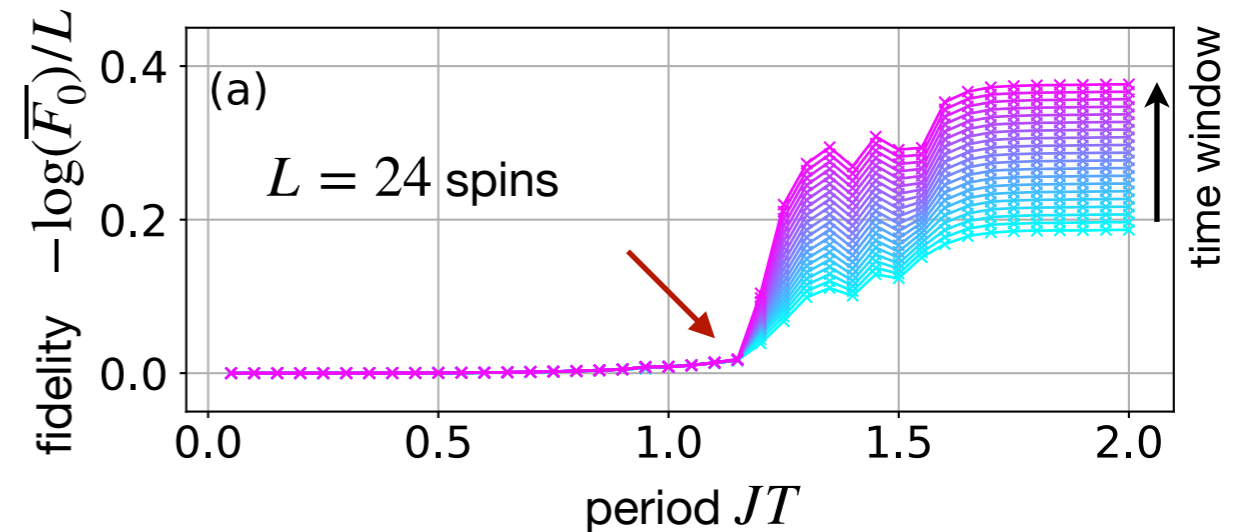


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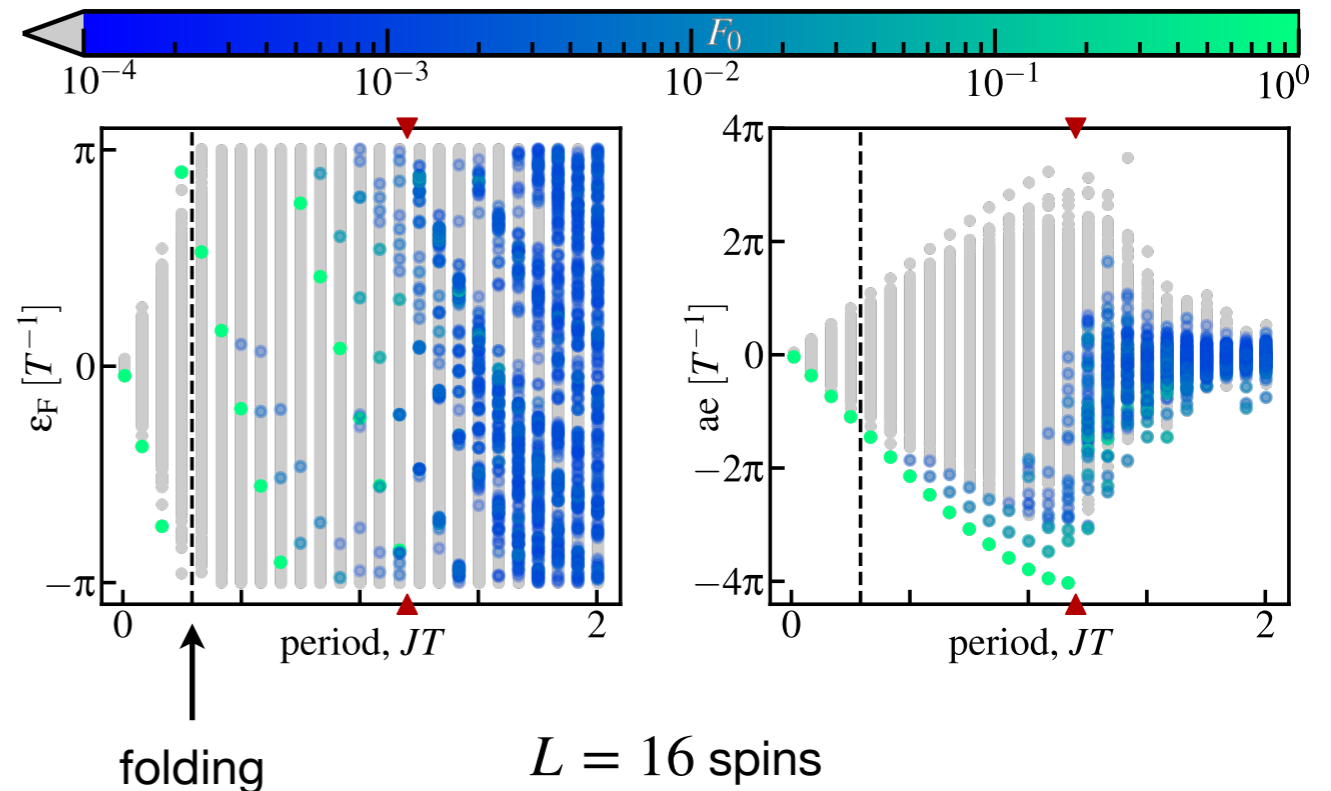


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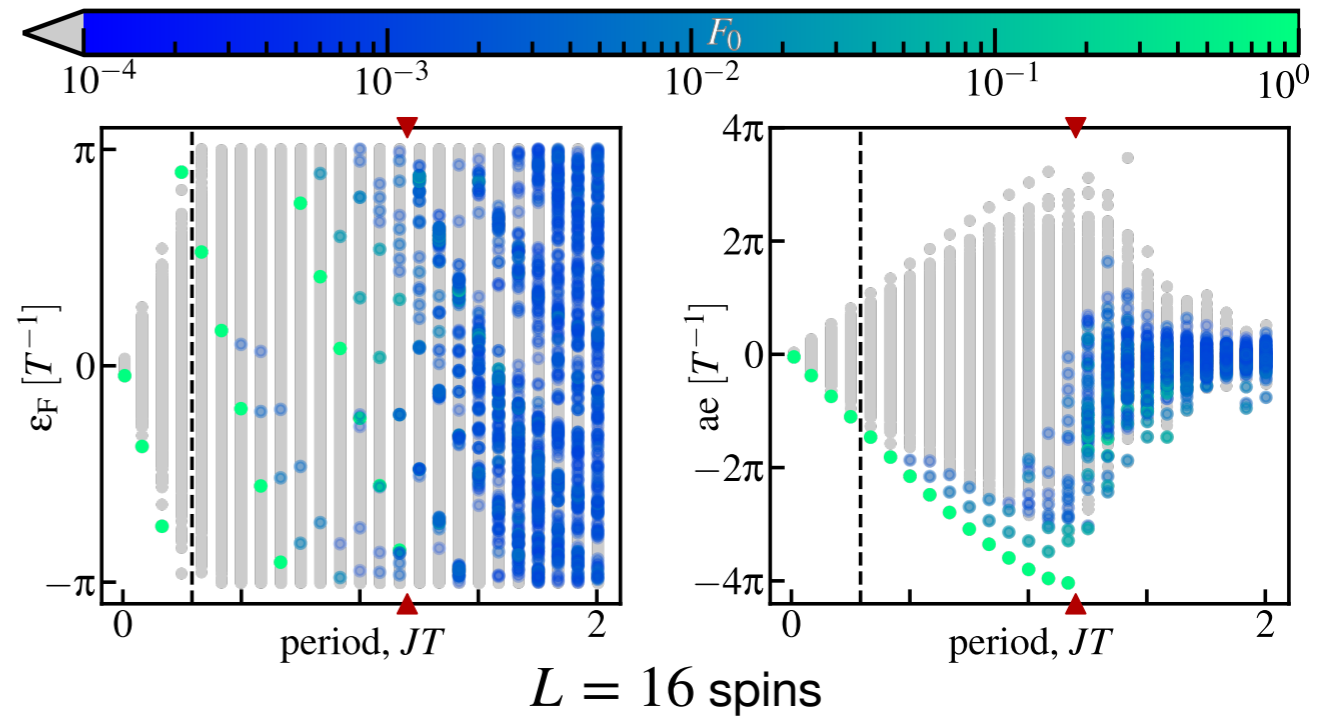
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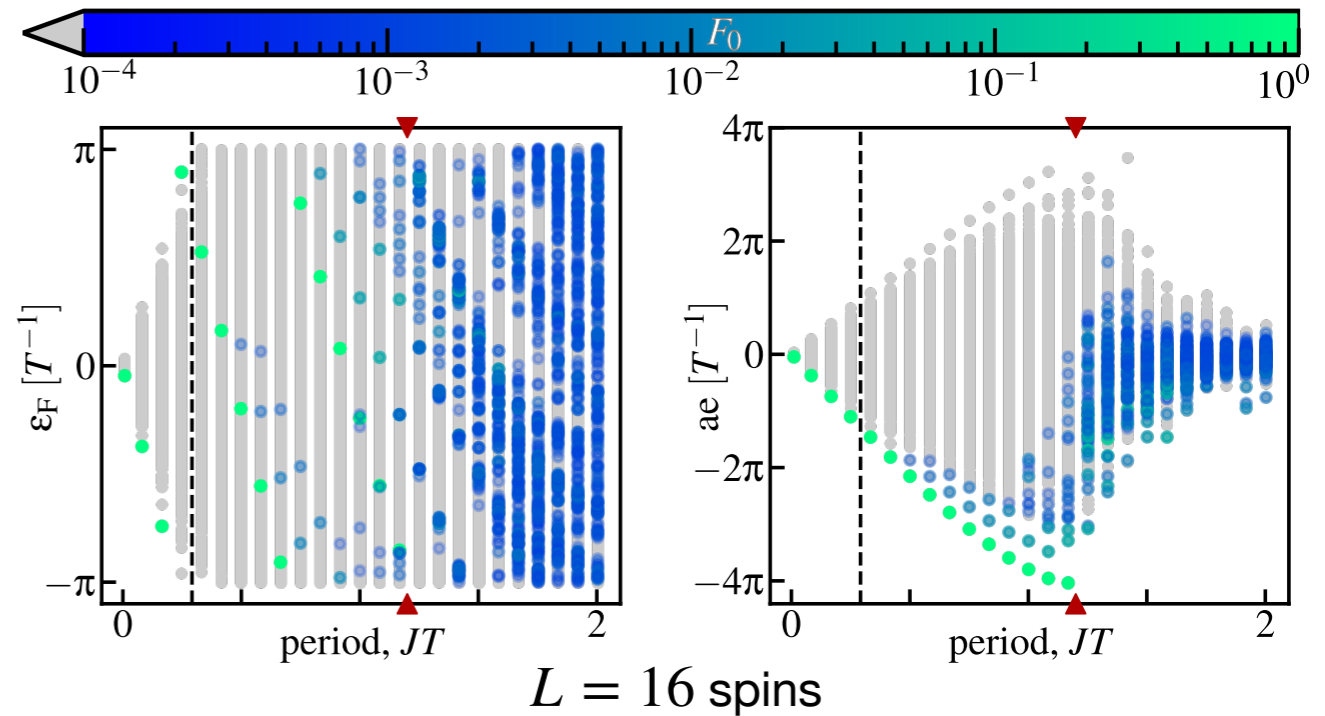
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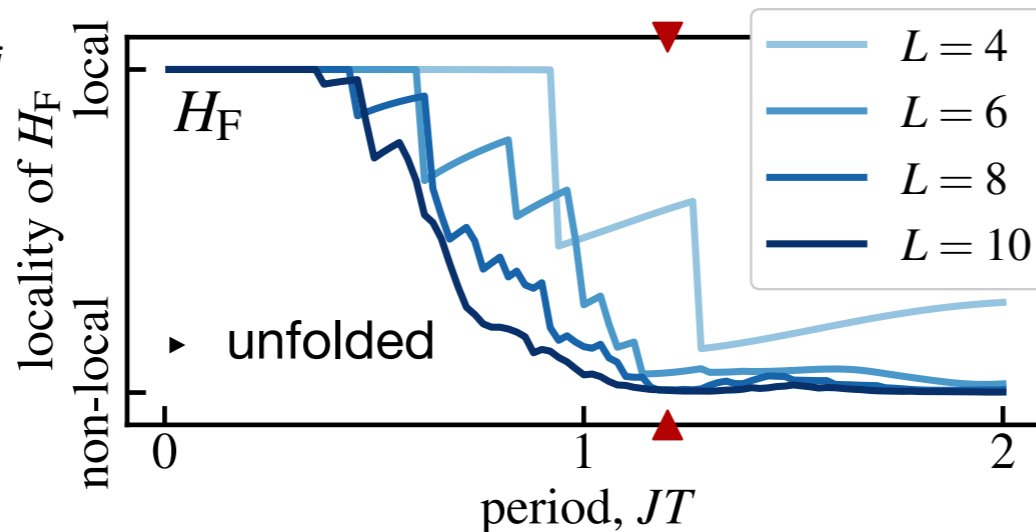
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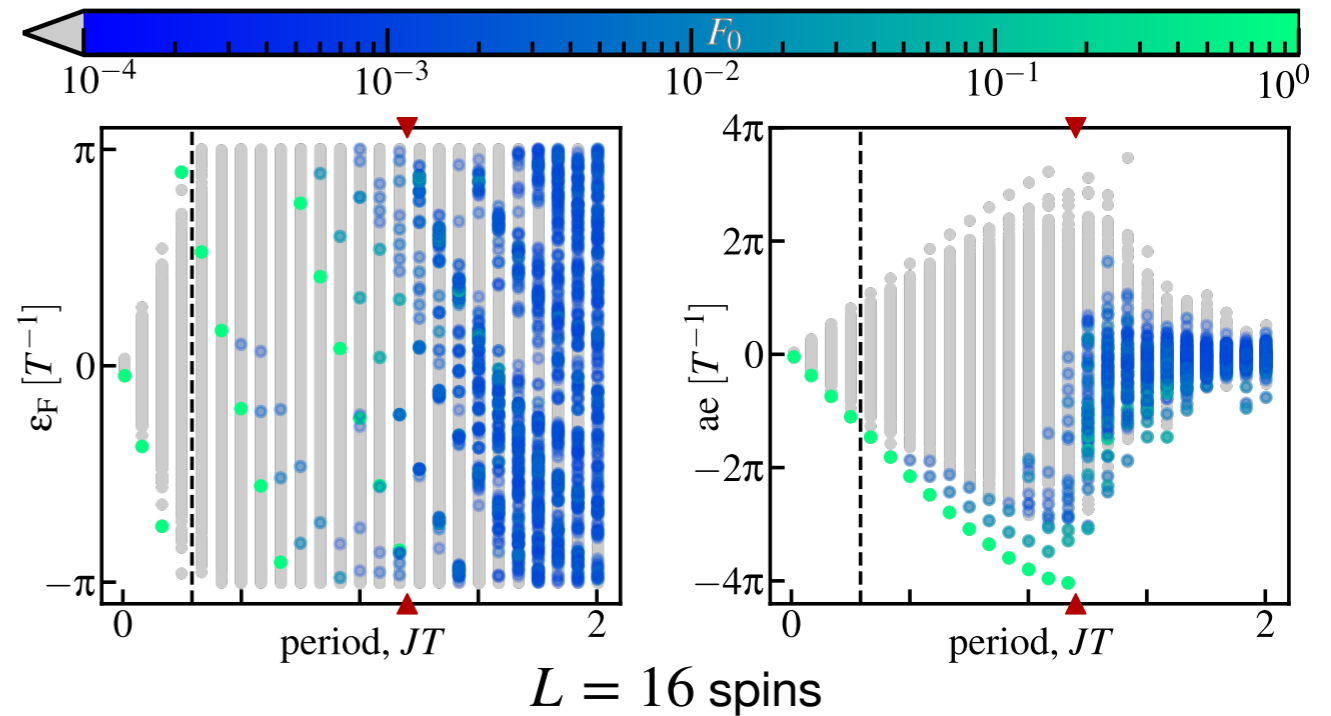
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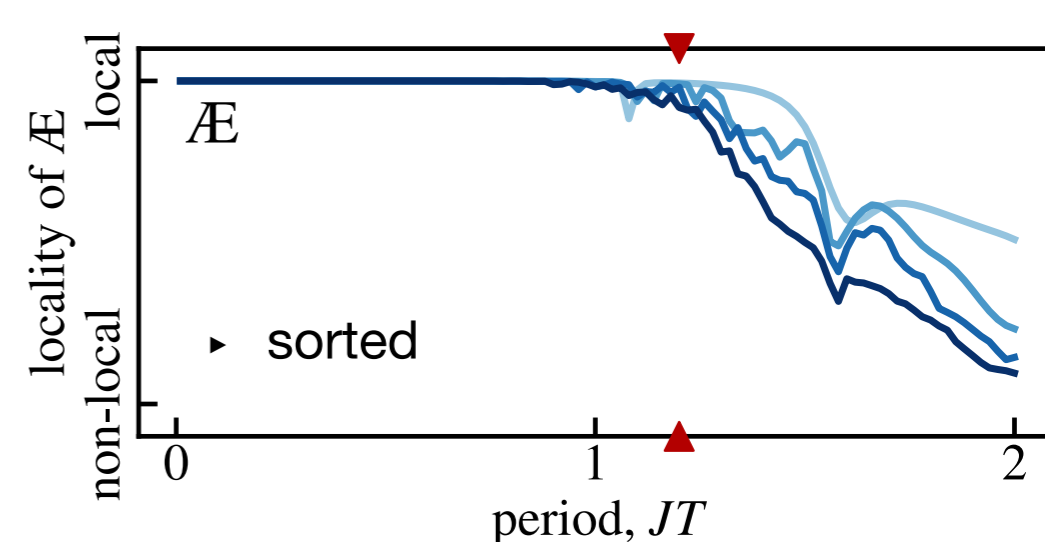
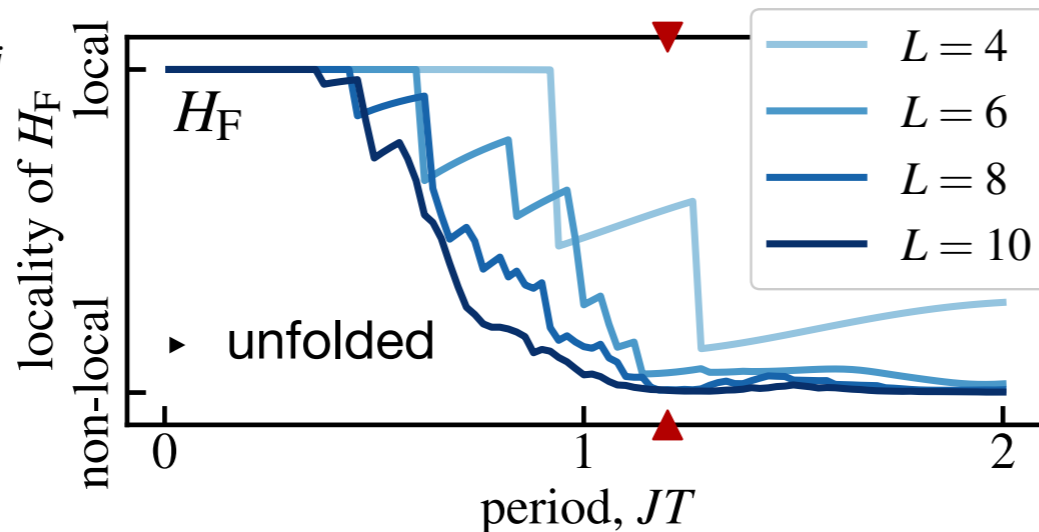
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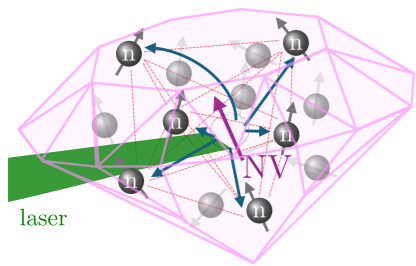
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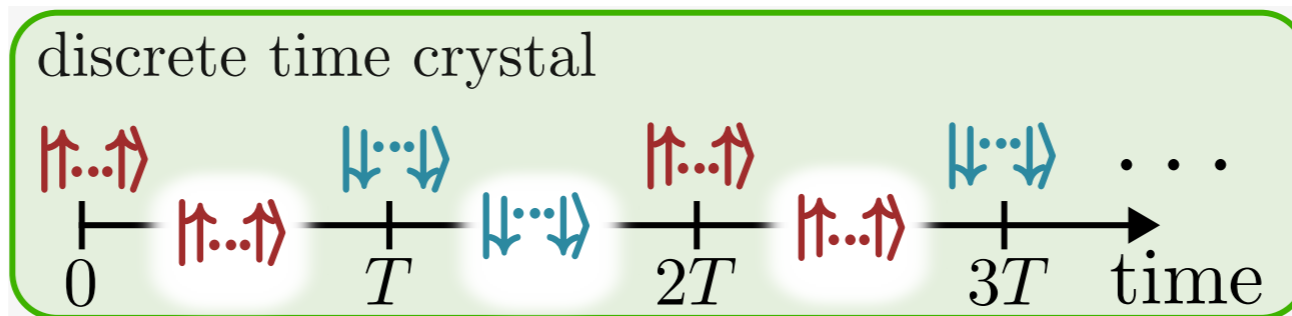


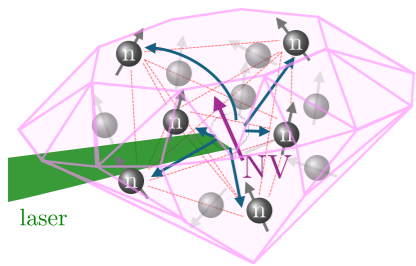
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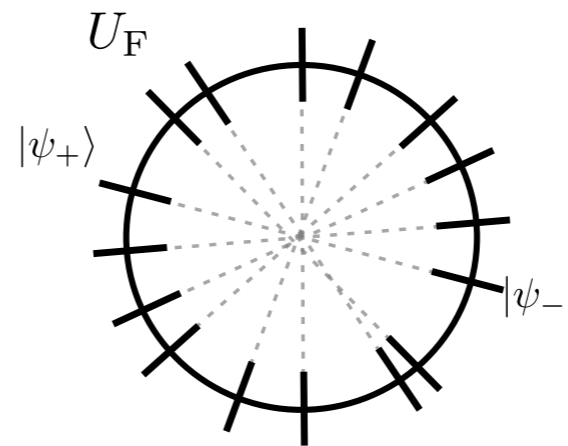
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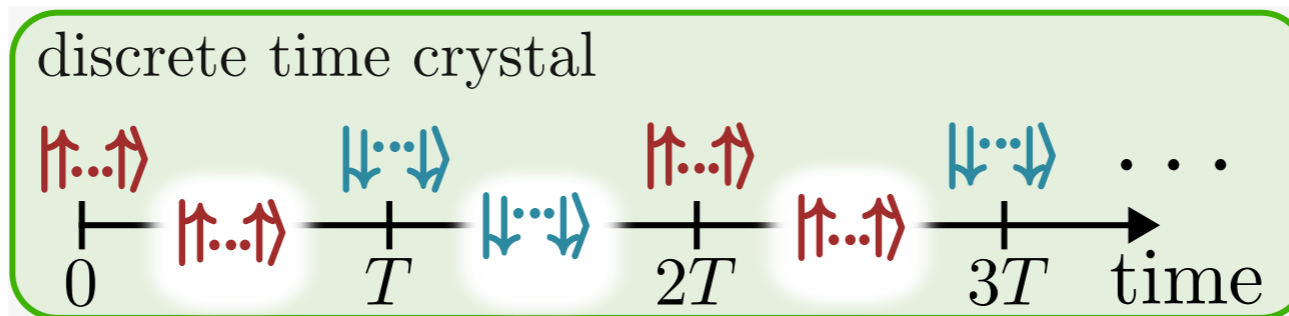
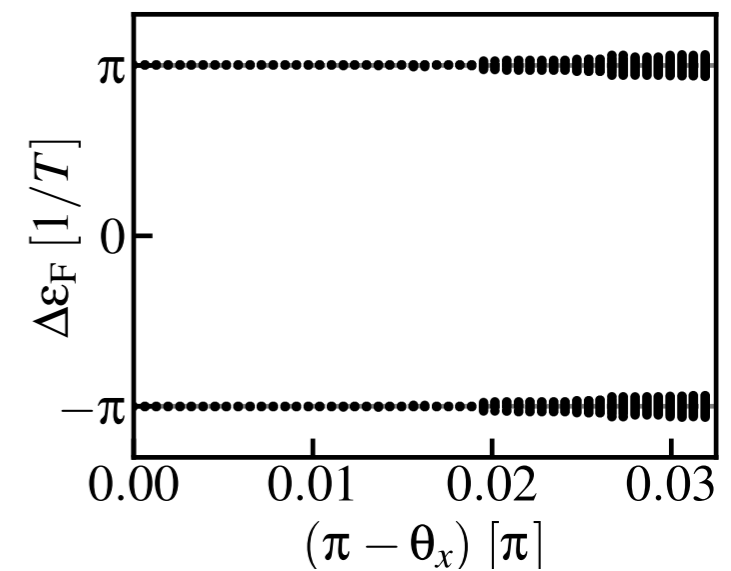
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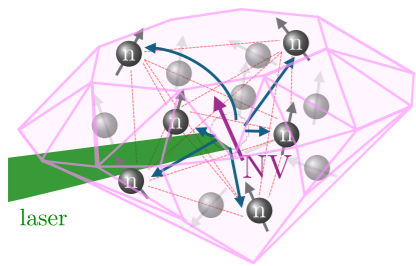
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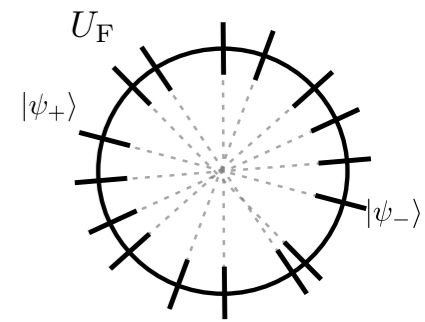


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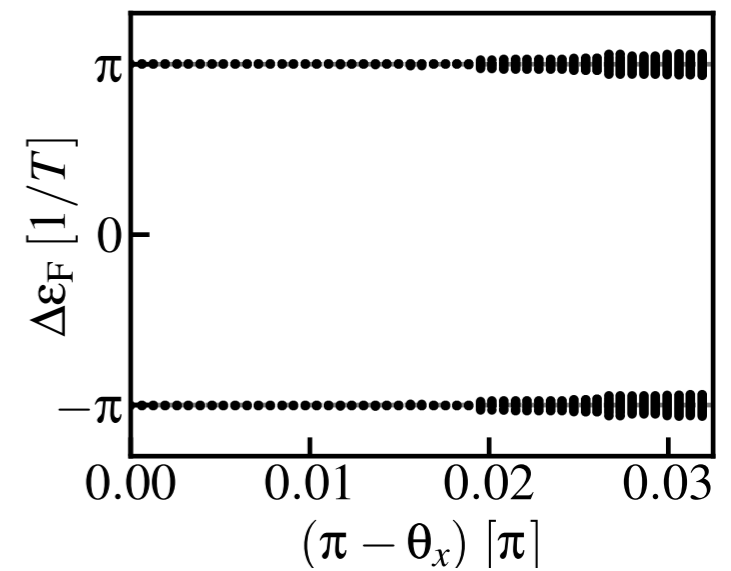
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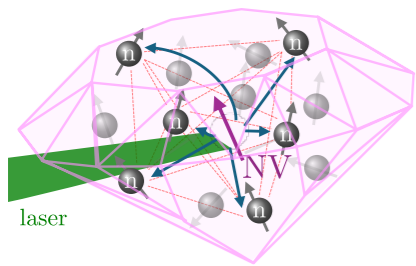
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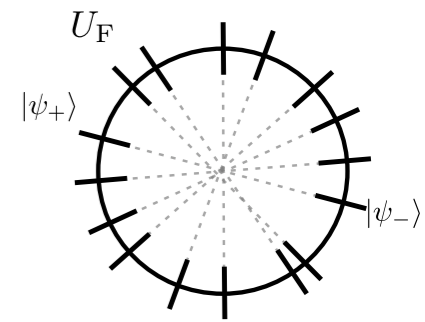
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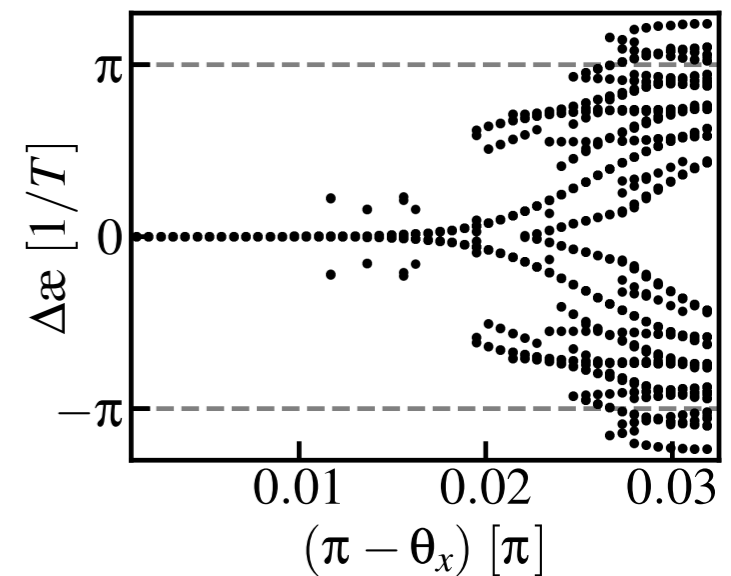
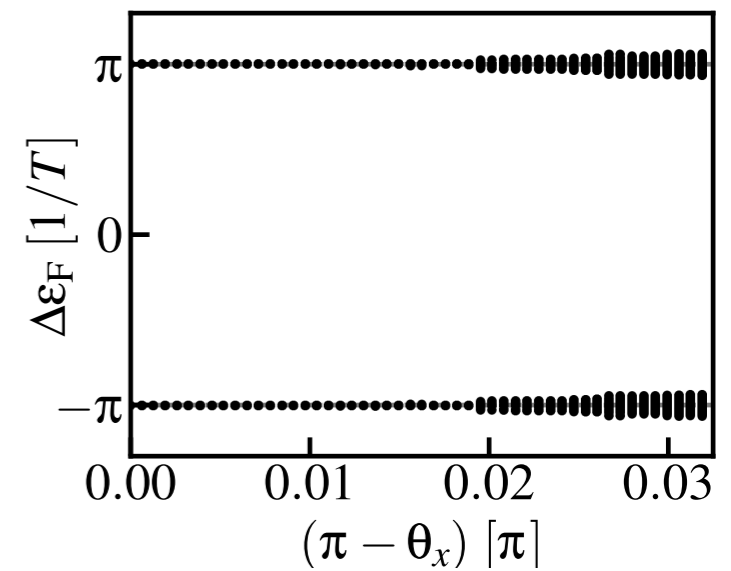
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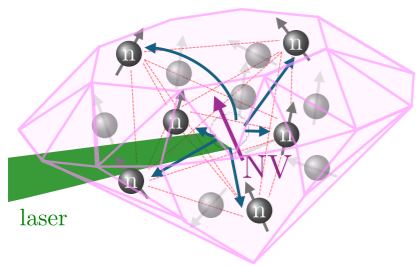
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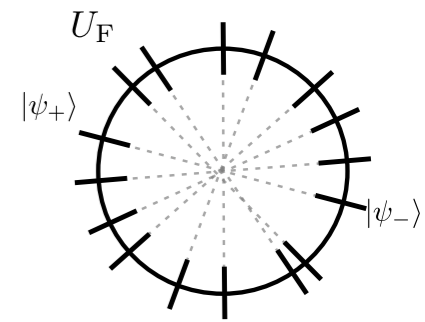


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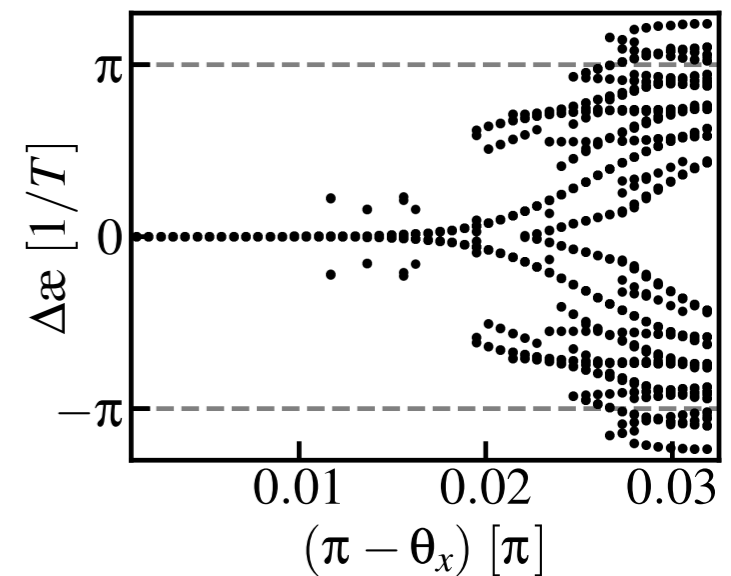
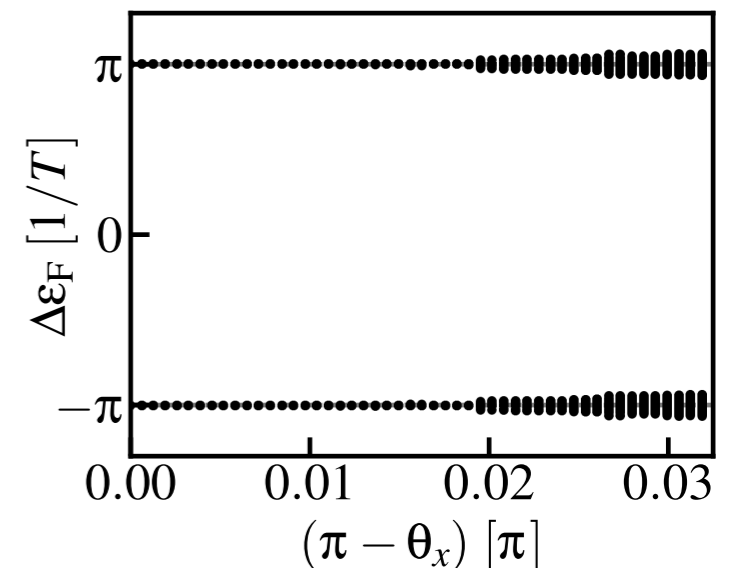
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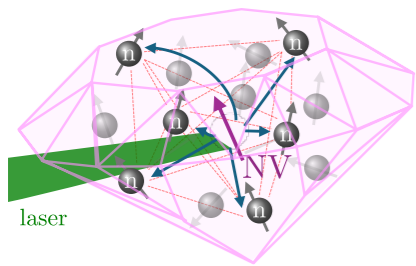
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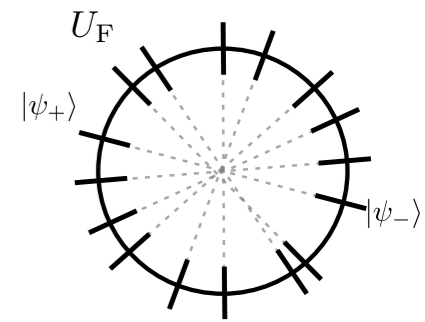
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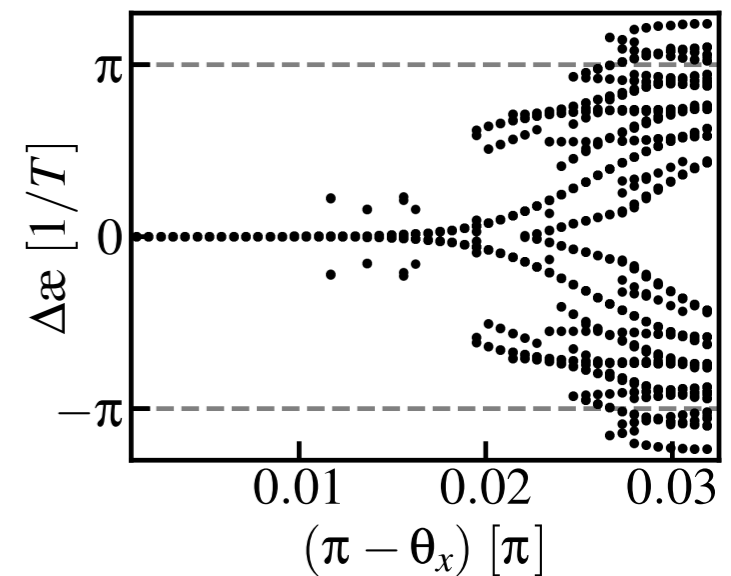
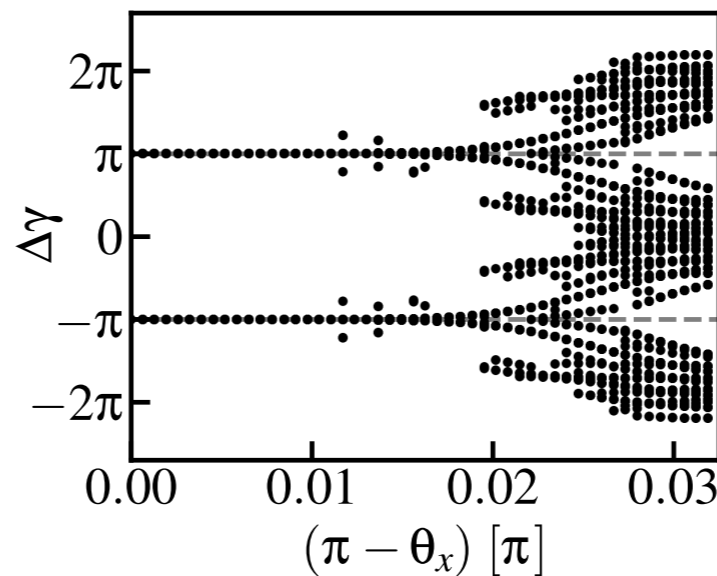
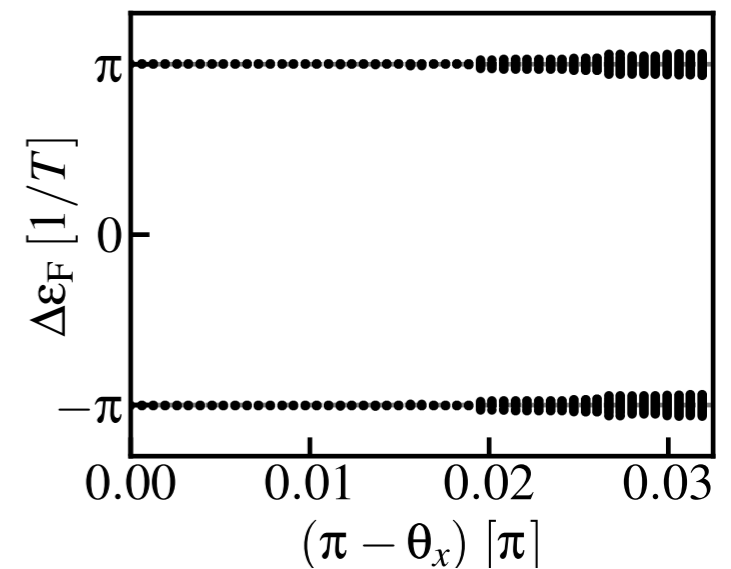
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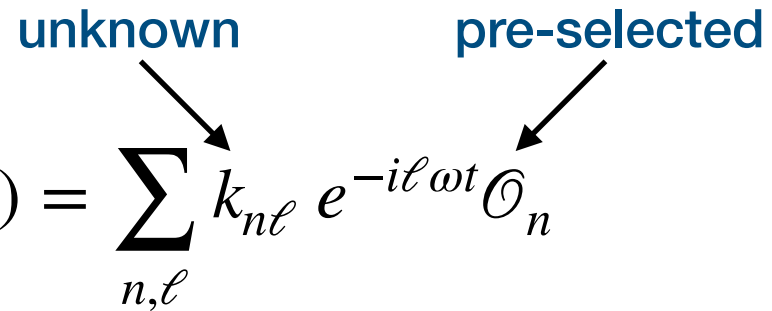
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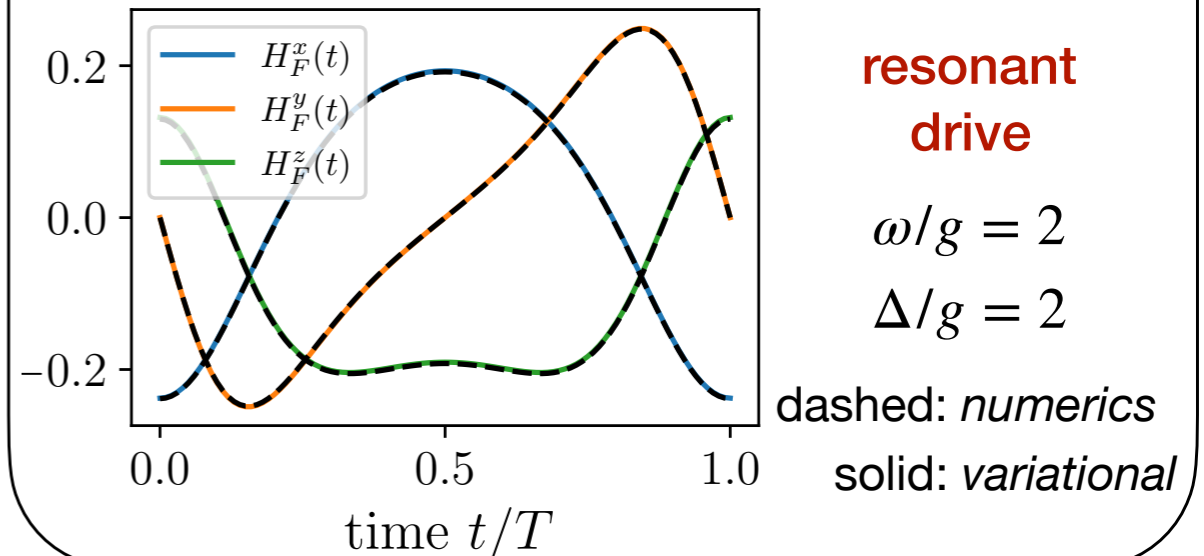
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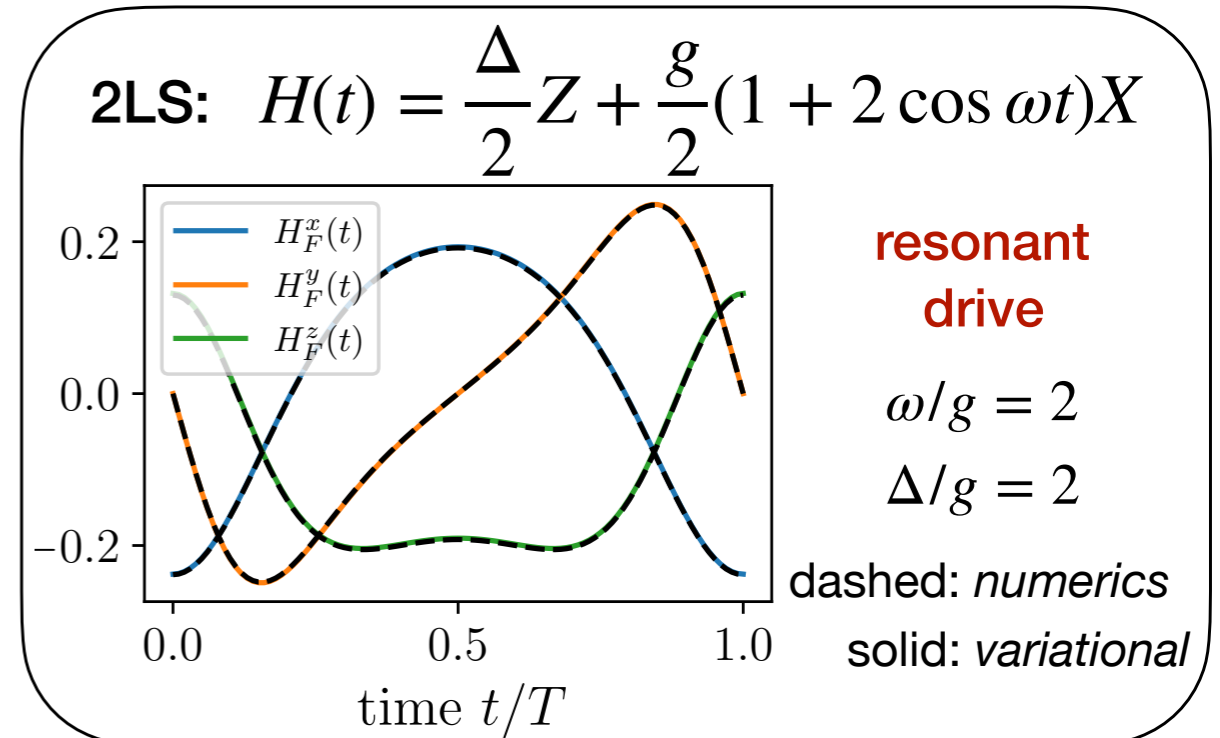
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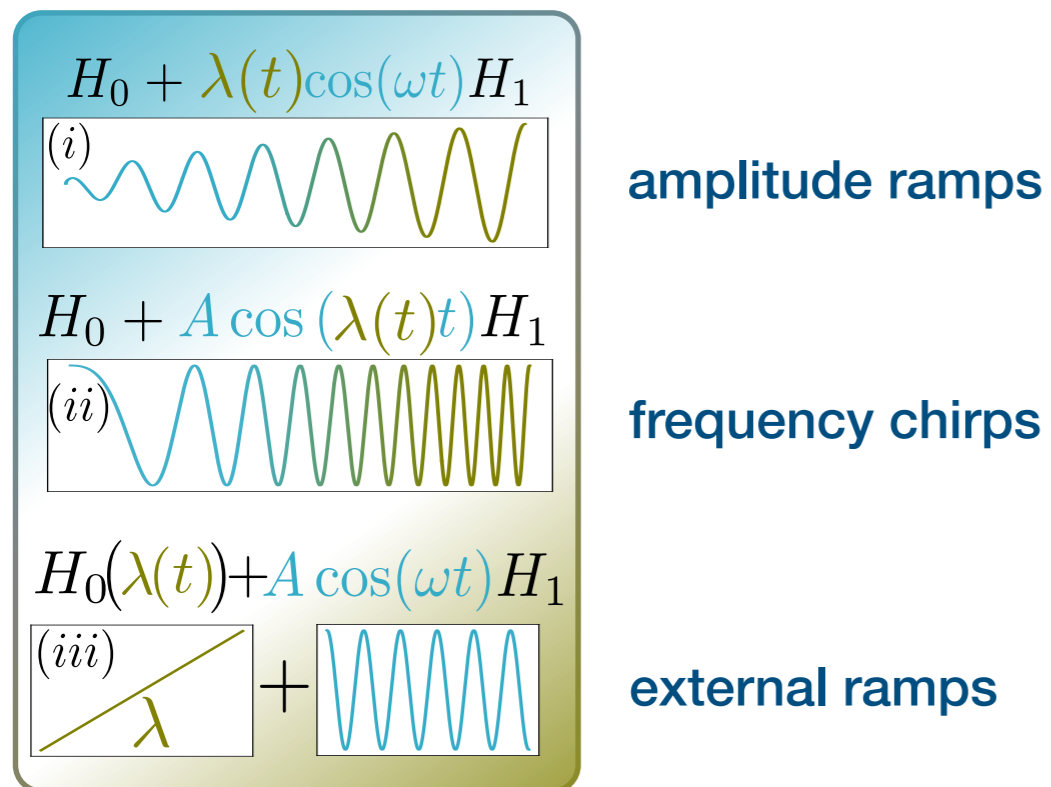
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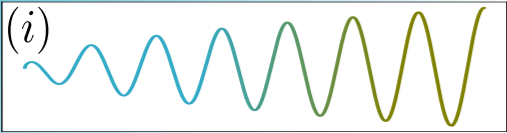
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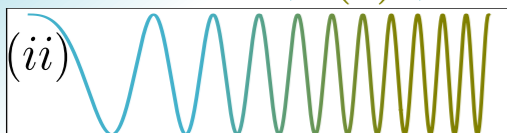
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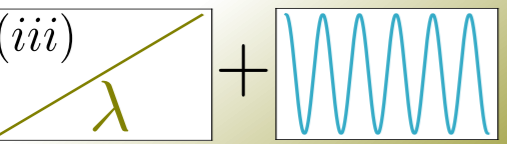
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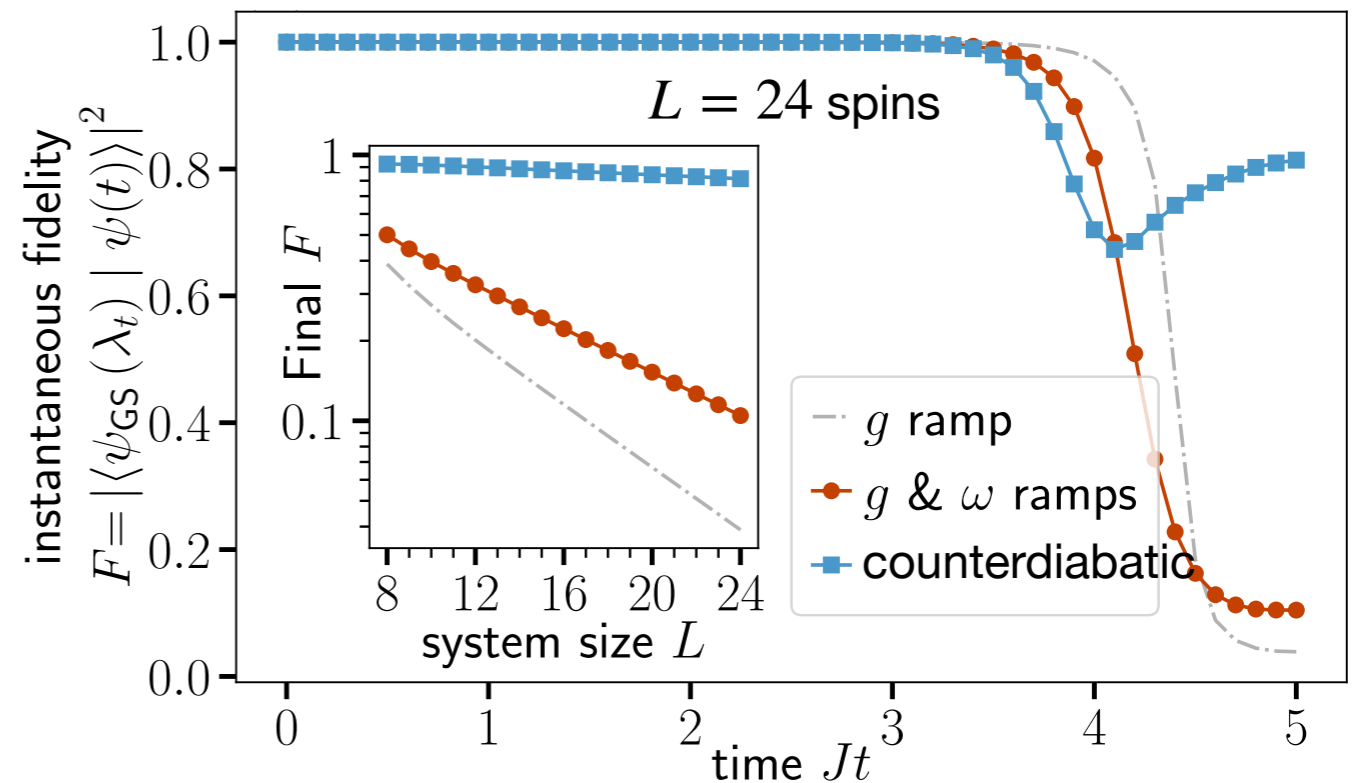
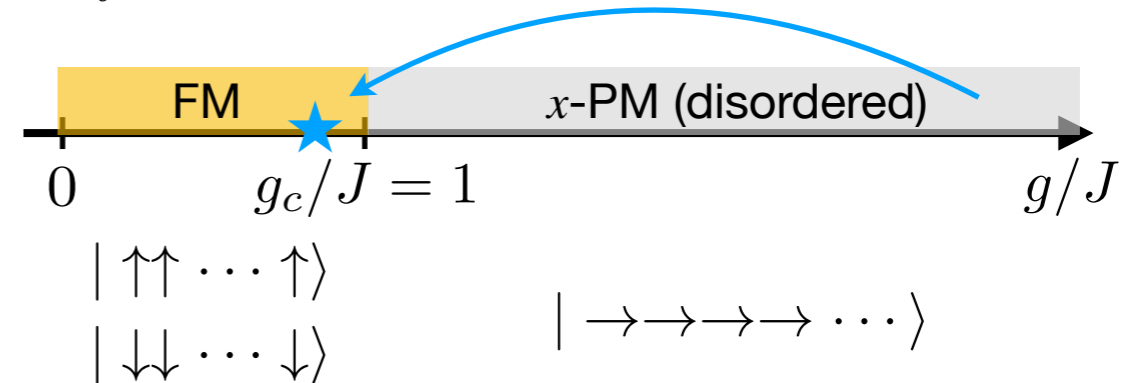
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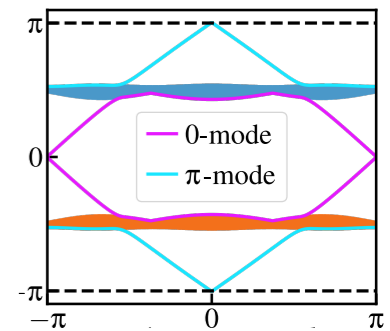
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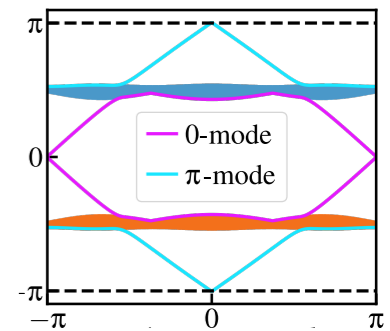


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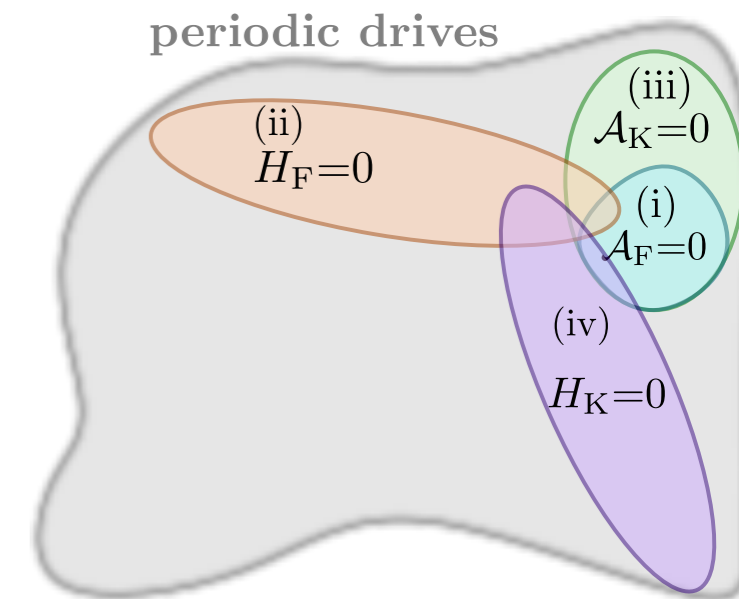
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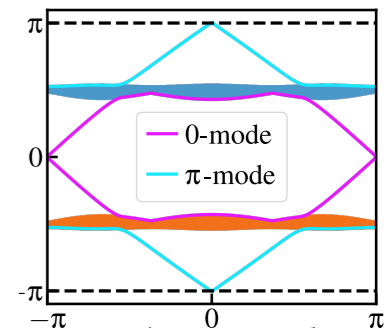


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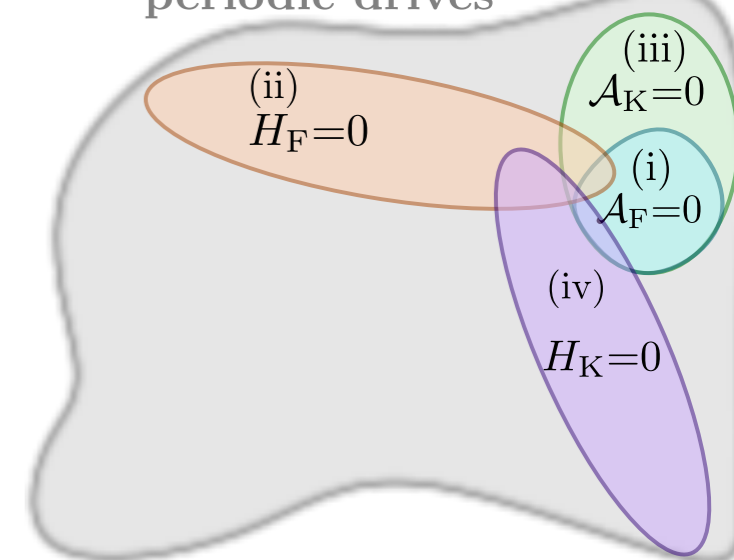
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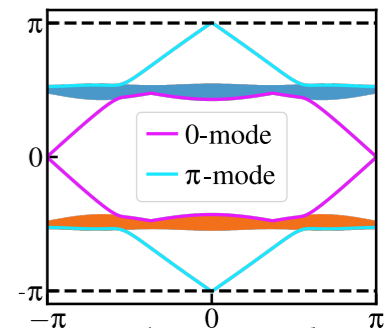


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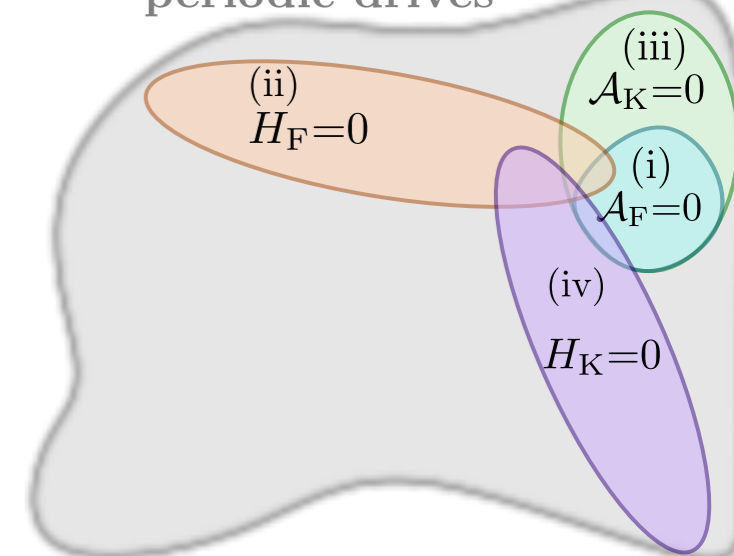
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(no Floquet ground state!) mpipks (Dresden)

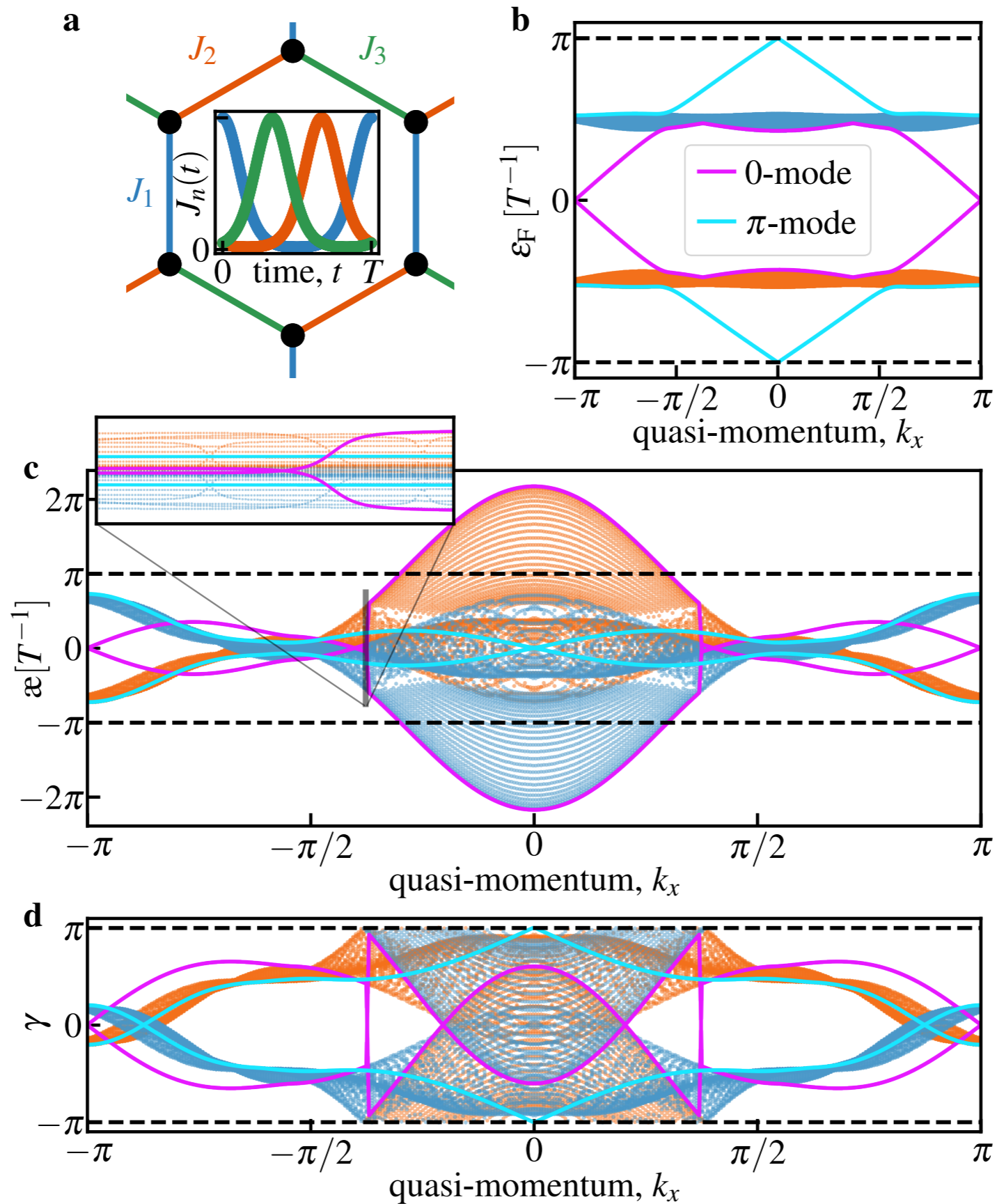
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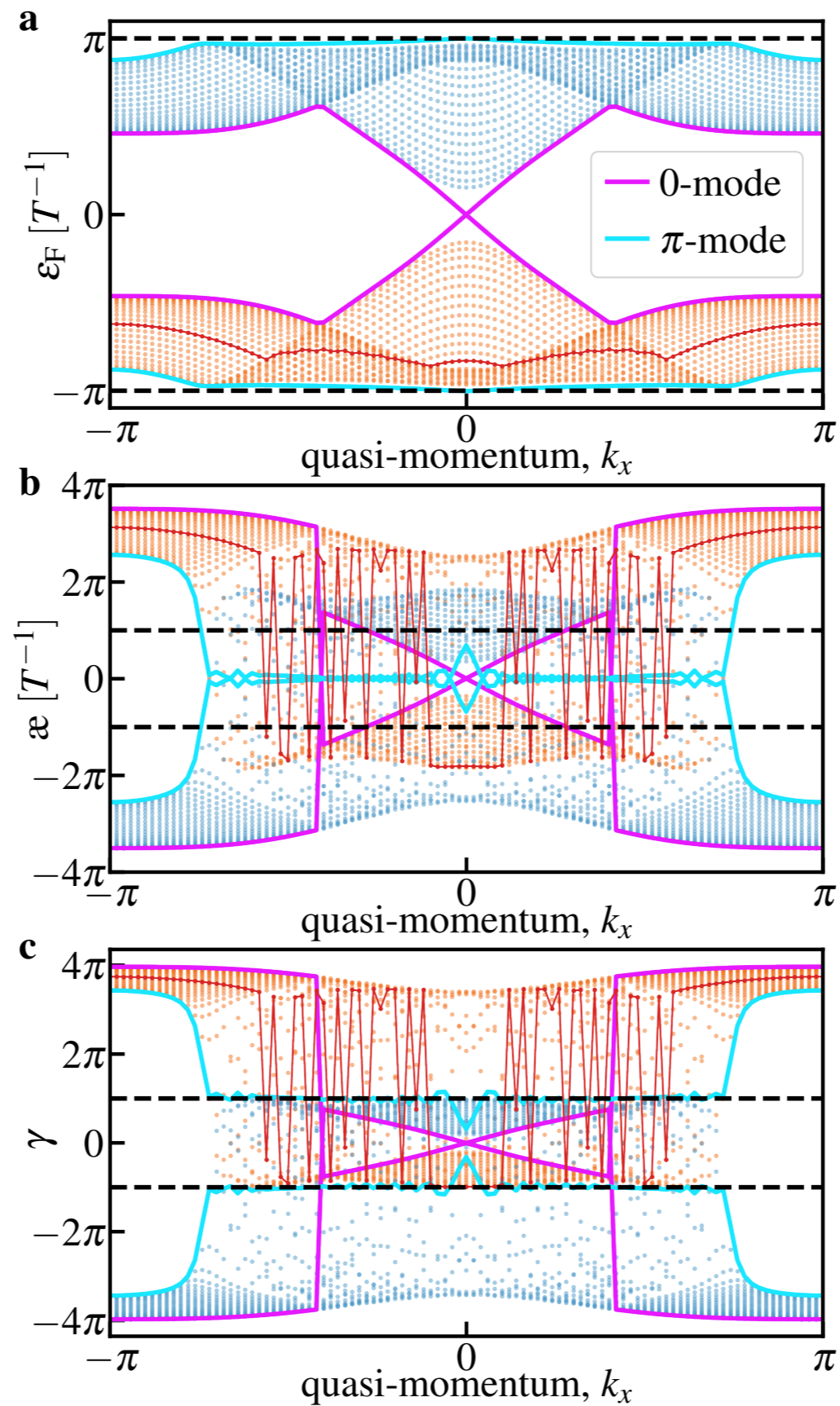




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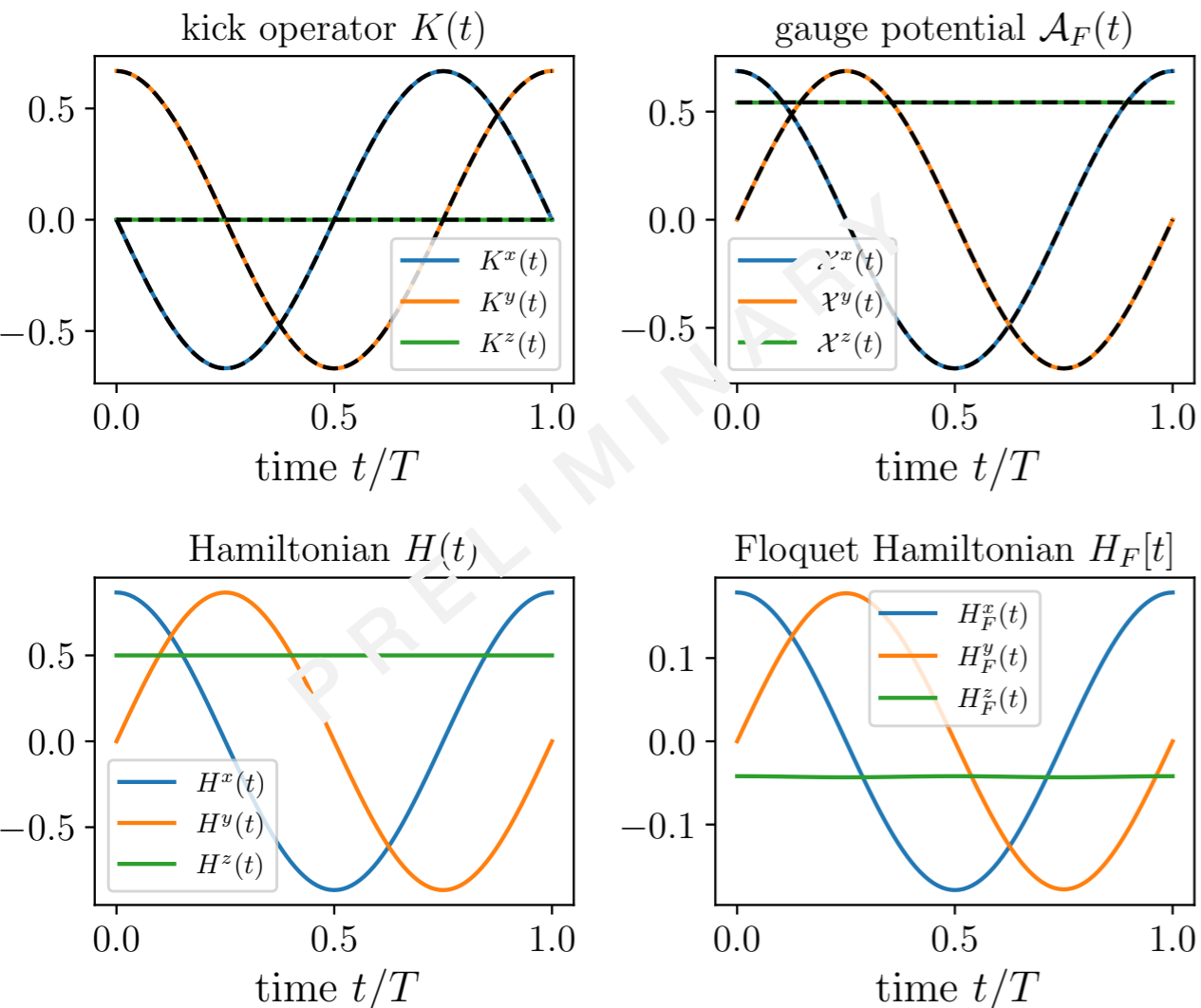
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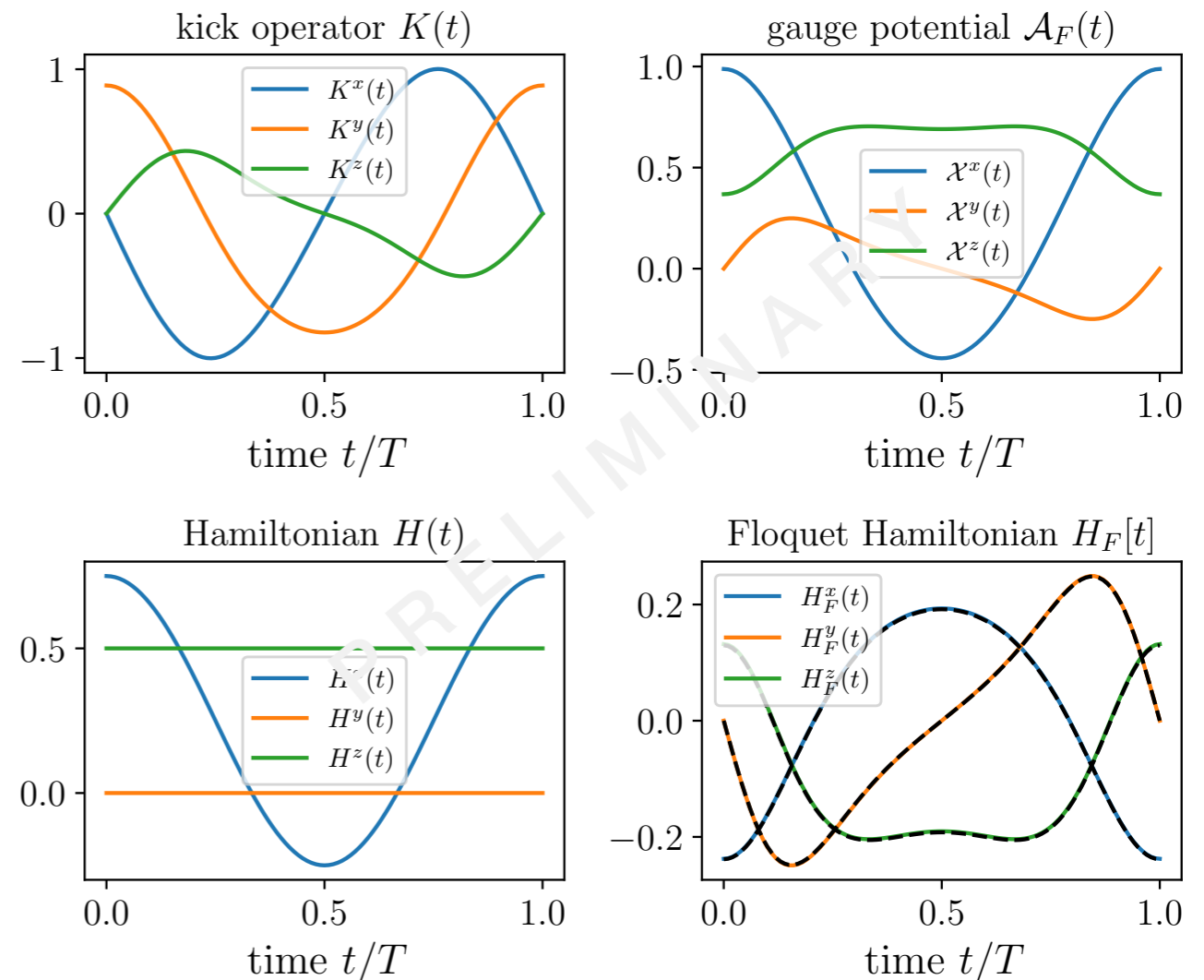


✓ matches exact solution (dashed line)

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• compute approximation to  $H_F$

▶ numerically, variational  $\mathcal{H}_F$

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+ keep up to 21 Fourier harmonics

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$$H_{\text{FM}}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt H(t) \quad H_{\text{FM}}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2!Ti} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 [H(t_1), H(t_2)] \quad \dots$$

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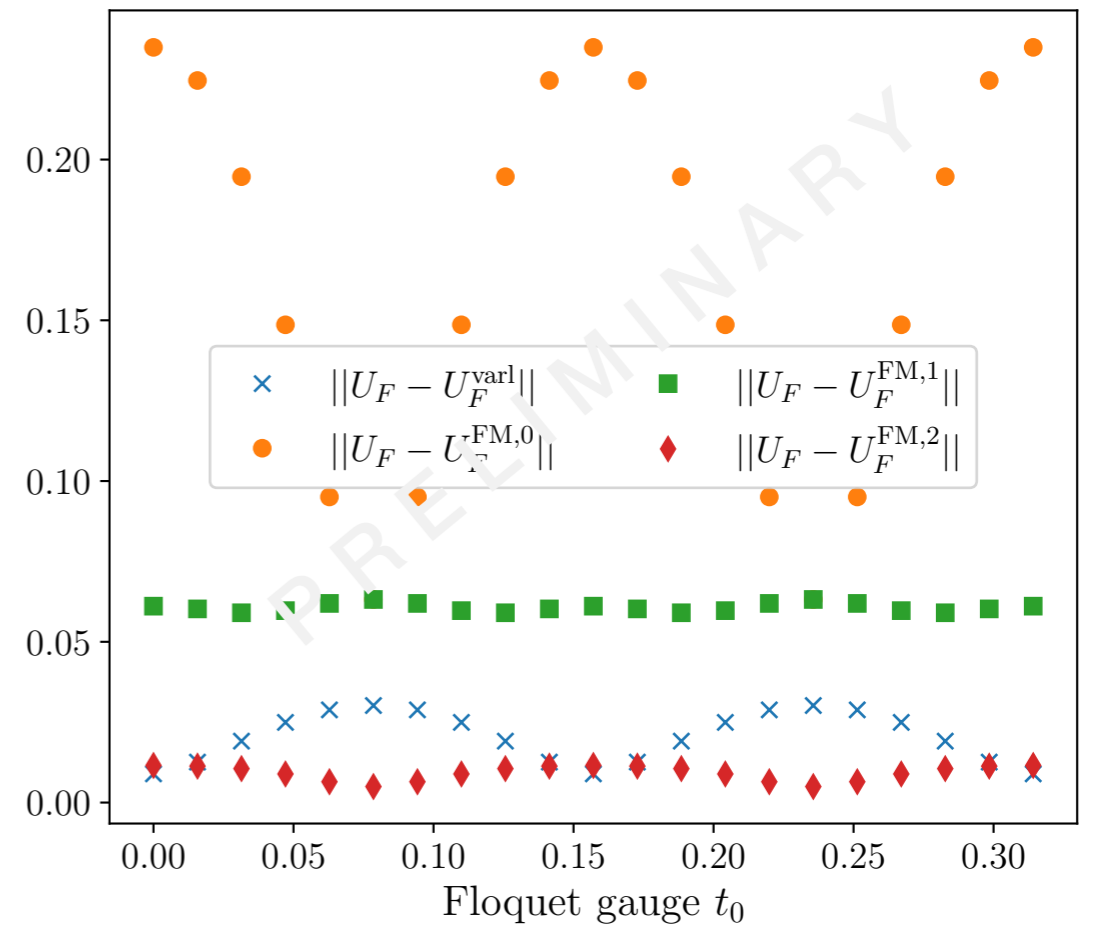
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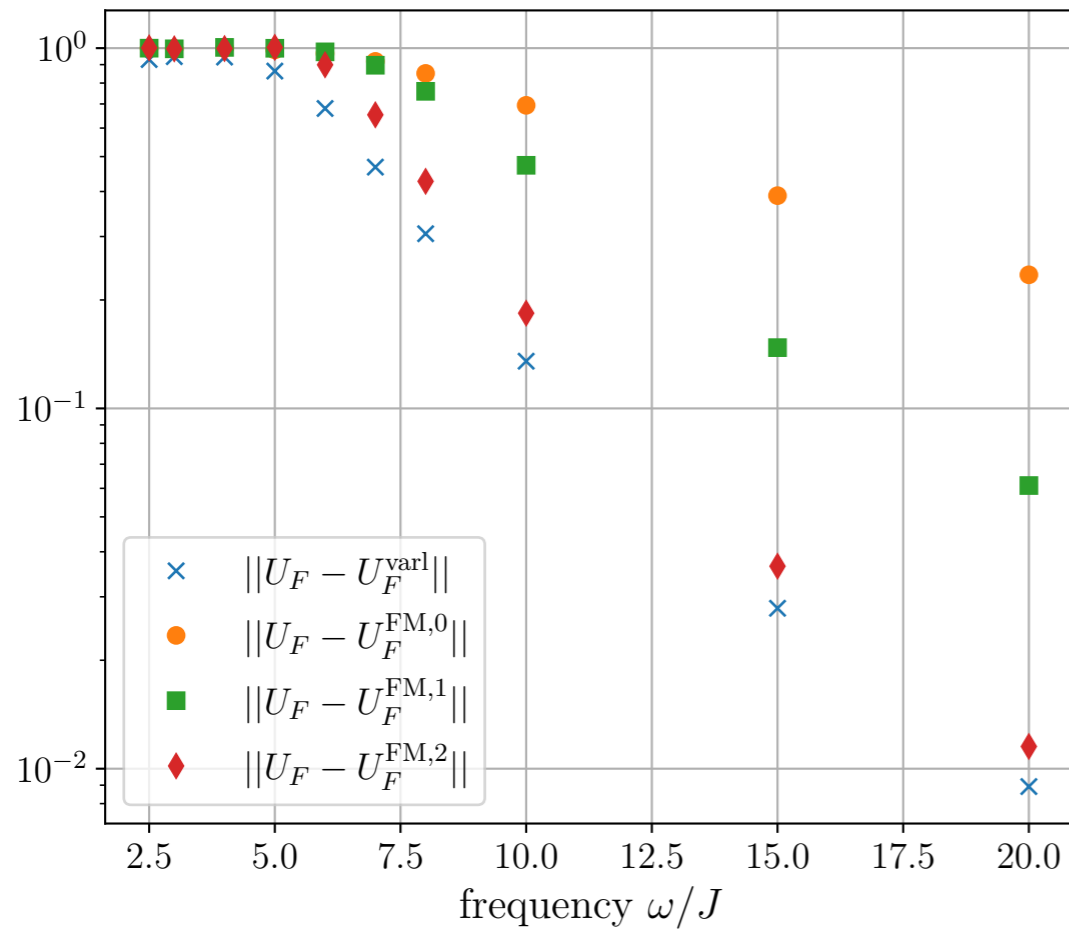
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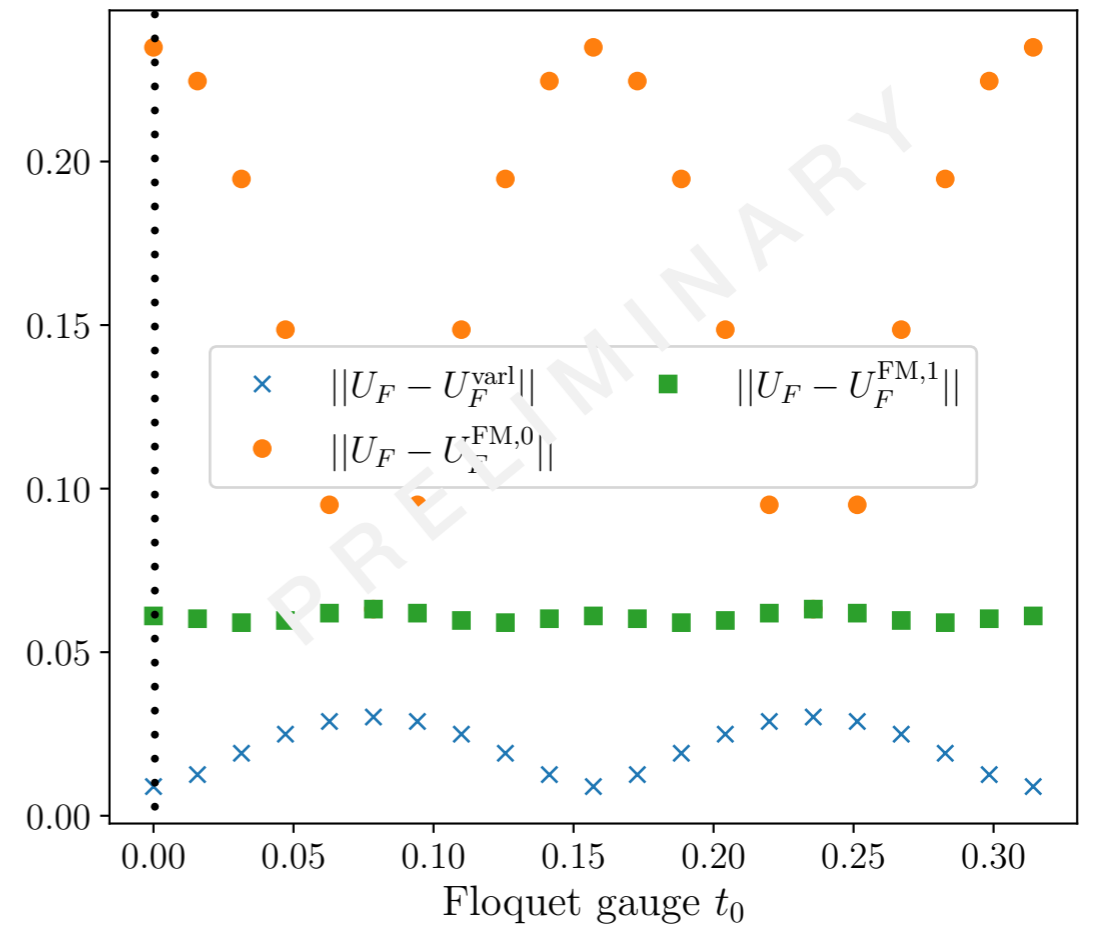
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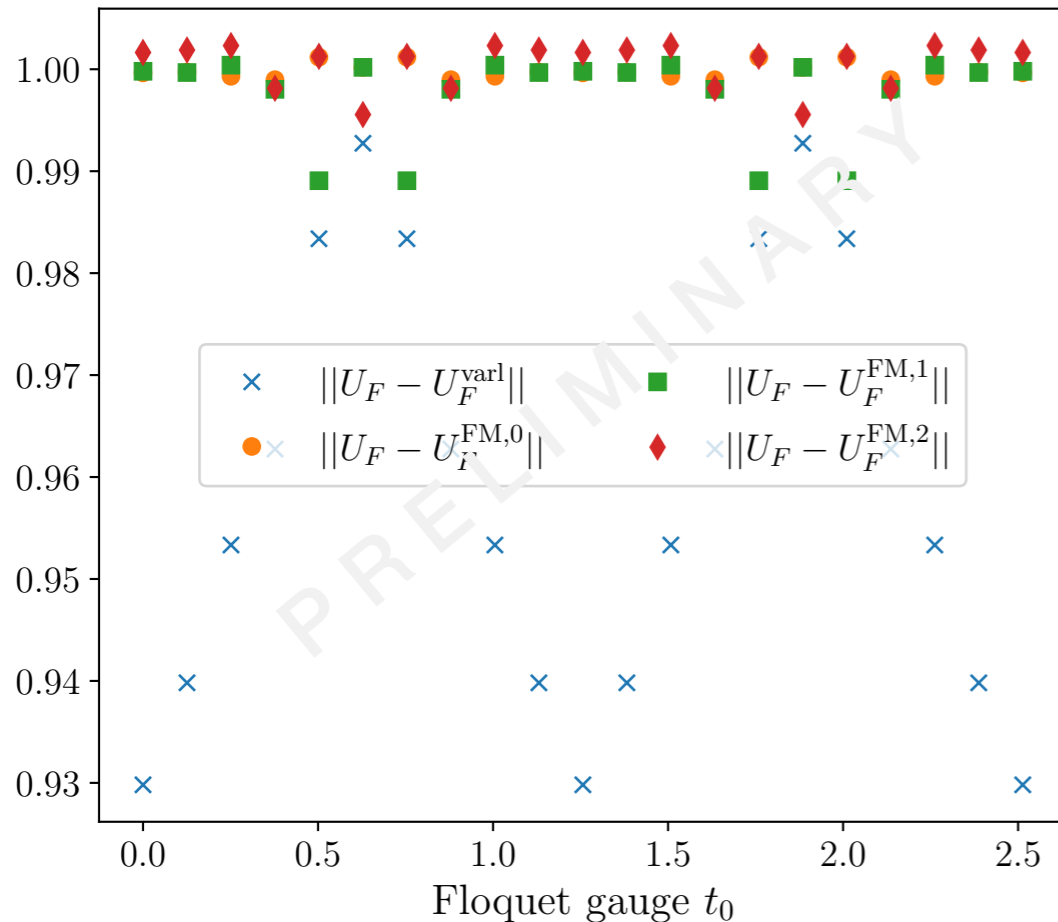
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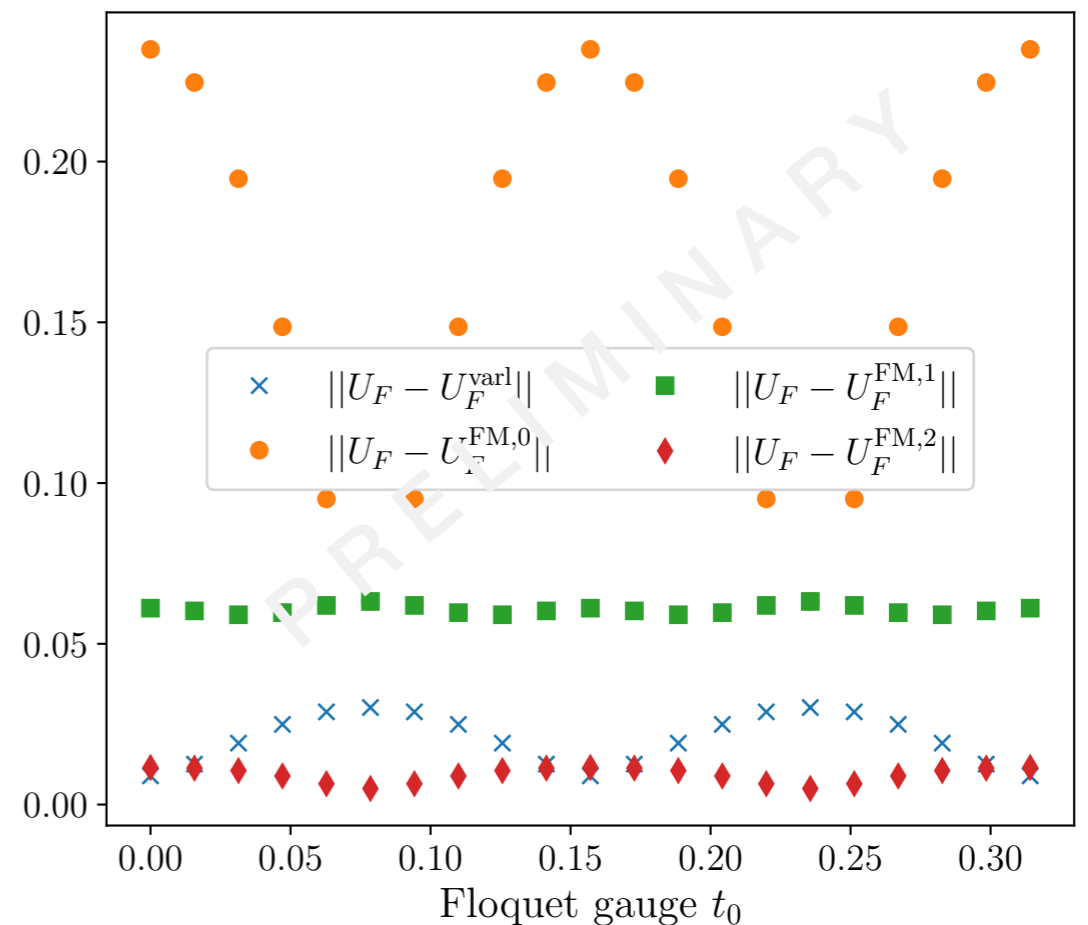
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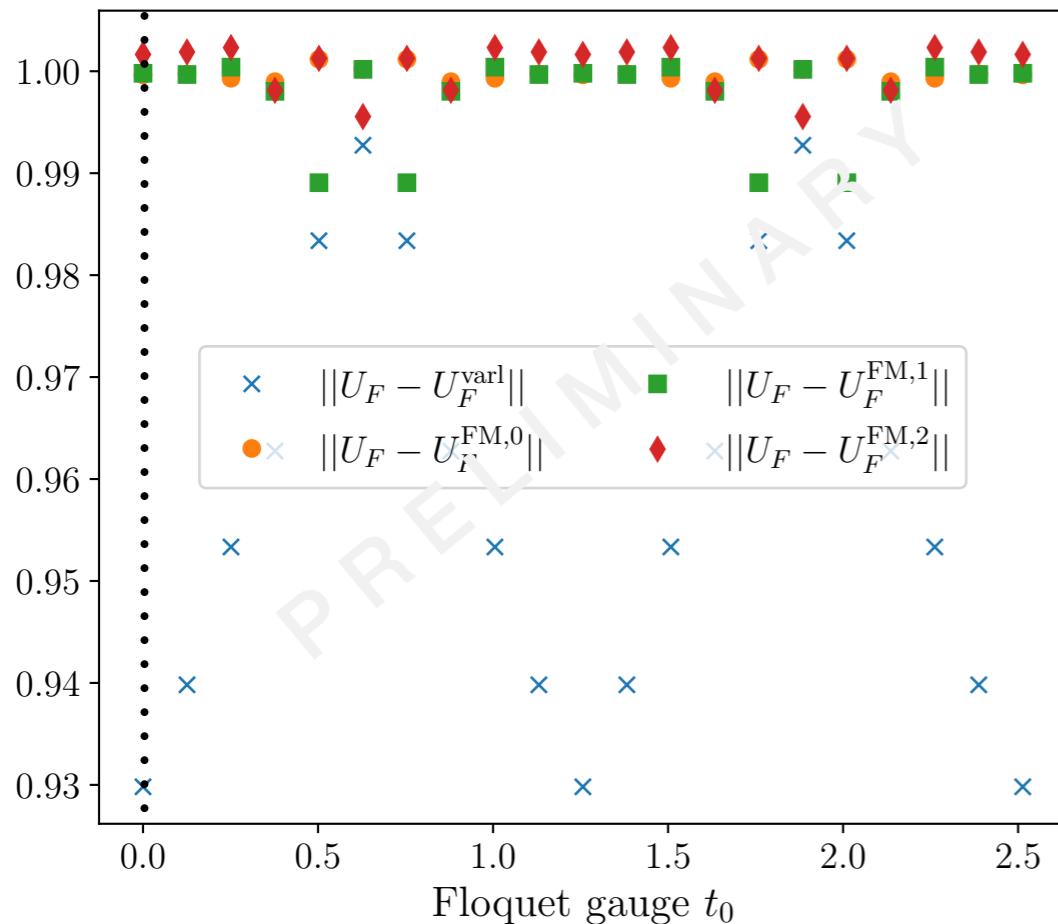
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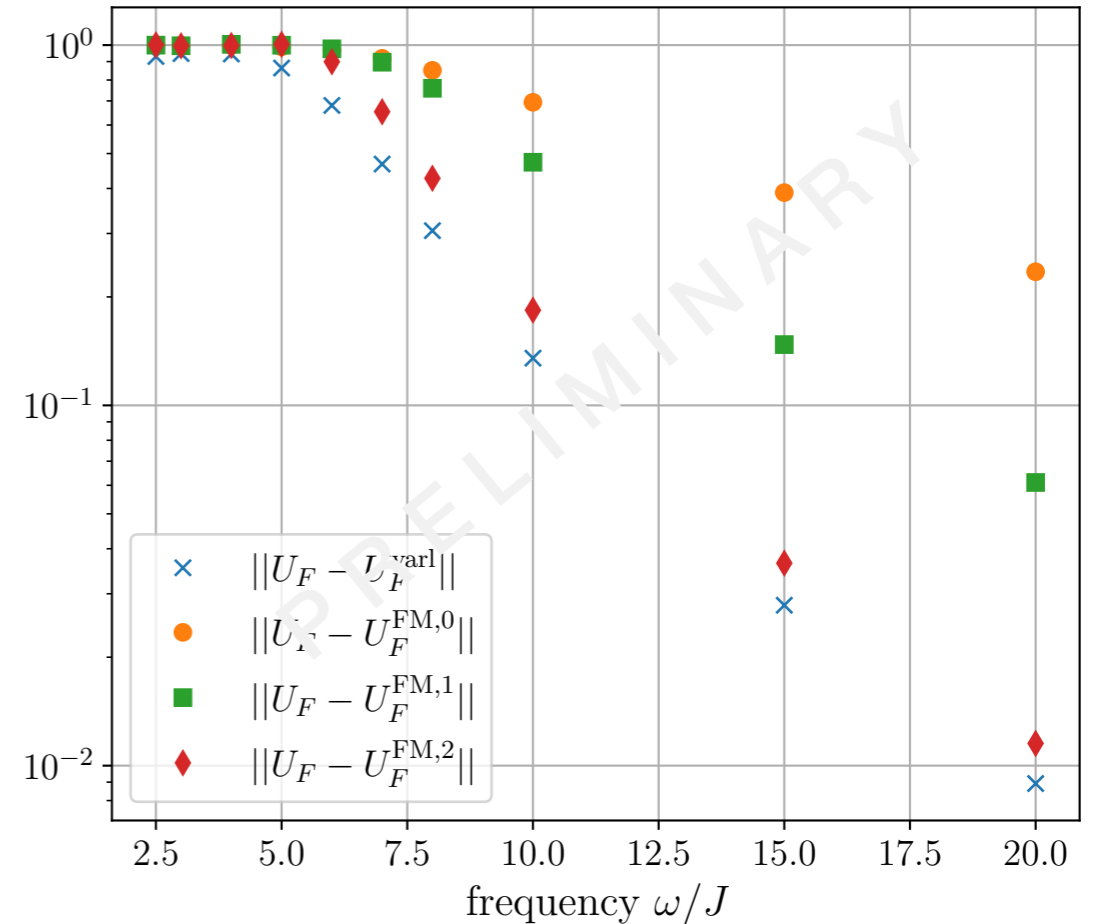
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